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	CHARACTER OF CASE: AR	

- REFERENCES -

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WILL CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION:

1. BIRTH IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

Date of birth as stated in Selective Service Form of YARAS as November 7, 1912, at Chicago.

2. Will conduct investigation at the Chicago Police Department regarding the current criminal record of YARAS, under Chicago Bureau of Identification #C-59530.

3. Will also at the Chicago Police Department conduct inquiry pertaining to an up to date record, if available, concerning YARAS at the Chicago Police Department Intelligence Unit.

4. A review of the files in the Miami Office relating to YARAS reflects either through allegations by

informants or through interviews that YARAS is in some manner connected with the companies set out herein. Chicago is requested to conduct investigation and determine the extent of YARAS' association with these companies and holdings therein if known. These companies and/or business organizations are as follows: (All are located within the Chicago Division).

Midwest Triumph Company
A-1 Uniform Service
Gellman Manufacturing Company
Litt Big Dollar Stores
Herman Sales Company
Mid-States Jaguar
New Lawndale Restaurant
Rothfield and Ross Insurance Company
Gerald Motors, 8201 Skokie Boulevard
Near North Management Company, 341 East Ohio
Reliable Products, 3328 or 4046 West Roosevelt
Tavern located at 3617 West Roosevelt
Capital Vending Company
Hal Opper Plymouth, 7744 South Stoney Island
Volkswagen Distributorship, 95th and Beverly
Columbus Park Hotel

5. Will identify subscribers to telephone toll calls from Miami to Chicago as set out in the body of this report.

6. Will review the records of the Chicago Crime Commission concerning the activities of YARAS.

7. Will review information reported by CG 6343-C* and by CG 6758-C* regarding information concerning YARAS.

8. Attempt to establish the Chicago residence of YARAS, it being noted that it is estimated YARAS spends half of his time in Chicago. He was last known to have stayed on a regular basis at the Tides Motel in Chicago, Illinois. If residence at the Tides or any other establishment is verified, will attempt to establish confidential sources within that establishment.

CINCINNATI:

AT COLUMBUS, OHIO:

Will ascertain if one JOHN CANNATTA, 181 South Lazelle, Columbus, continues to represent a group of gamblers who are connected with LENNIE PATRICK and DAVE YARAS.

DALLAS:

Will develop and report all information relating to the Southwest Amusement Company in which YARAS and his brother SAM YARAS are allegedly partners.

LAS VEGAS:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA:

Will report all information relating to the activities of YARAS in Las Vegas, it being noted that YARAS and others in his organization have been alleged to make frequent visits to that city.

LOS ANGELES:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

1. Will ascertain full details concerning the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store, 562 South Hill, Los Angeles, in which YARAS was an alleged partner with SAM YARAS as of 1959.

2. Ascertain full details concerning a partnership between one HAROLD MELTZER, and RONALD J. and LEONARD YARAS, sons of DAVE YARAS.

3. Identify subscriber to telephone number Beverly Hills [redacted]. b6 b7C

4. Will reinterview MILTON ZUCKER MENDE who was originally interviewed on June 12, 1961, at which time he furnished information relating to the possibility of the purchase of a shopping center with DAVE YARAS at Spring Valley, New York. MENDE is to be questioned pertaining to any other legitimate enterprises and whether or not the Spring Valley Shopping Center materialized.

5. Will report all information relating to the Oxy-Aid Distributors, 8687 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California, it being noted that in 1958, Mr. [redacted], National Board of Fire Underwriters, stated that YARAS and PATRICK were partners in this enterprise. b6 b7C

6. Will report all details concerning the Capital Vendors, Incorporated at 1122 South La Cienega, it being noted that as of 1963 [redacted] reported that this enterprise may be one in which YARAS and PATRICK are connected. b7D

7. Will locate and interview FRENCHY MEDLEVINE, known to the Los Angeles Office, and ascertain:

1. If he is related to YARAS
and
2. Details concerning any relationship or associations he may have with YARAS.

8. Will at Mercury Records ascertain any association YARAS may have with that organization, it being noted that in 1959, [redacted] RONALD YARAS, advised that RONALD worked for Mercury Records in Los Angeles, said position having been obtained through his father, DAVE YARAS.

NEW YORK:

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK:

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1. Will identify and report subscriber to number [redacted] said number having been called by YARAS during January and February, 1964.

2. Will attempt to locate and interview [redacted] of Miami and New York top hoodlum, MEYER LANSKY, and if successful attempt to ascertain the present location of [redacted] so that she may be interviewed concerning any information she may have about DAVE YARAS, et al.

RICHMOND:

AT RICHMOND, VIRGINIA:

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Refer to Richmond airtel to the Bureau dated February 25, 1964, captioned, "SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, aka AR", and furnish full details relating to this matter and subsequent events.

Miami is interested in details concerning implication of YARAS in this matter.

MIAMI:

AT MIAMI AND MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA:

1. Will attempt through physical surveillance and confidential informants and sources to ascertain the daily activities of YARAS, establish his current associates, legitimate activites, and criminal activities.

2. Will interview Miami Beach City Councilman BERNARD FRANK, alleged to be a close associate of DAVID YARAS.

3. Will conduct investigation at the Bay Shore Country Club, Miami Beach, and ascertain full details concerning YARAS' association and activities within this club.

4. Will conduct investigation at the Chase Federal Savings and Loan, Miami Beach, concerning bank accounts, safety deposit boxes, and home mortgage on the part of YARAS and his family at that institution.

5. Will contact DANIEL SULLIVAN of the Greater Miami Crime Commission concerning current and up to date information he may have in his possession concerning YARAS and associates.

6. Will conduct investigation at the Miller Highlife Distributing Company, Incorporated, in Miami, concerning a possible interest of YARAS in this organization.

7. Will ascertain full details concerning YARAS' interest and income from Susco Automobile Rental, Miami Beach, Florida.

8. Will ascertain details concerning allegations of interests of YARAS in the following companies located within the Miami area:

Gino's Pizza, 1906 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach

Klene Linen Supply Company, Miami Beach

Venetian Isle Motel

Tahiti Bar, 23rd Street, Miami Beach, an alleged enterprise in 1952-53

9. Will conduct investigation and inquiry at the Miami Beach Police Department, Miami Police Department, and Dade County Sheriff's Office relating to up to date information concerning YARAS.

10. Will contact [redacted] Department of Labor, Compliance Section, 1200 SW First Street, concerning full details of International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 320, of which YARAS was an official and charter member as of July 15, 1957. b6 b7C

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- ADMINISTRATIVE -

Information obtained from MM 794-C, an inactive source, has been carefully paraphrased and included in the body of this report in order that a more cohesive picture may be had concerning YARAS' criminal activities, particularly while in the Miami area.

CG 6758-C* advised that on May 28, 1964, FELIX ALDERISIO, a Chicago top hoodlum, JOHN D'ARCO, former alderman, first ward, Chicago, MICHAEL BRODKIN, Chicago attorney, discussed the fact that [redacted] was involved in an automobile accident in the Miami area, which could result in [redacted] of Miami. According to this source, a payoff was or is being made from Miami and the money for this payoff is being sent from Chicago through MICHAEL BRODKIN to DAVE YARAS. YARAS was then to pass this money on to the proper individuals. It is noted that the person to be contacted in Miami relative to YARAS' known whereabouts is [redacted] well known Miami criminal attorney, who represents DAVE YARAS.

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It was ascertained by CG 6758-C* that YARAS was expected in the Chicago area sometime around the first of June, 1964. This would give credence to information wherein it was reported that YARAS makes monthly trips from Miami to Chicago, said journeys being made around the first part of each month.

- INFORMANTS -

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T-7 [redacted]	7/7/58	SA ROBERT L. BAKER
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T-9 [redacted] PCI, [redacted]	2/64	
T-10 [redacted]	2/18/64	SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D
T-11 Dun and Bradstreet	1/20/58	SA ROBERT F. FETZNER
T-12 [redacted] PCI	various dates 1962-64	SA JOHN P. LENIHAN SA DON W. WALTERS
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Date: JUL 28 1964

Field Office File #: 92-1047 Bureau File #:

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

DAVID YARAS, FBI #655697, born 11/7/12, Chicago, Ill. YARAS has maintained residence at 4410 Adams Ave., Miami Beach, Fla., since approximately 1950. YARAS described by informants as member of the organized criminal element of Chicago, connected primarily with LEONARD PATRICK, of Chicago. YARAS, PATRICK and WILLIAM BLOCK strong suspects in slaying of JAMES M. RAGEN, Continental Wire Service Chief, Chicago, 1946. Informants state YARAS' present position in organized criminal element is to exert control and authority of Chicago group over certain activities in the Miami and South Florida area. YARAS, in 1962, was one of several individuals from Chicago who attempted an assassination of one FRANK ESPOSITO, Chicago union leader, said attempt to have been made in Hollywood, Fla. YARAS has been engaged in various legitimate activities in Miami area namely in the field of linen supply and automobile rental. YARAS allegedly is invested in legitimate activities, primarily automobile sales in the Chicago area, and in mid-west. Identification Record and other activities set forth.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information received from MM T-1 and MM T-2 to the effect that YARAS is one of a handful of those members of organized criminal society who control organized crime in the Miami and Miami Beach area.

MM T-1 advised in the winter of 1962, that YARAS was involved in the carrying out of "contracts" or executions ordered by the hierarchy of organized crime in the Chicago area.

I. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND:

BIRTH:

Under date of April 28, 1944, a Selective Service form utilized by the Chicago Police Department, indicated that DAVID YARAS then residing at 5518 West Gladys Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was born November 7, 1912, at Chicago, Illinois.

EMPLOYMENT:

MM T-3 advised on April 27, 1964, that YARAS, when questioned concerning the source of his 1962 income, took the Fifth Amendment to all questions concerning any source of his income. He was represented in this questioning by [redacted] Miami attorney.

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MARITAL STATUS:

MM T-3 advised on April 27, 1964, that his records reflected that YARAS, as of June, 1963, was married

to MARILYN PAT YARAS, who resides at 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

CHILDREN:

Records of the Miami Beach Police Department, reflect that DAVID YARAS has two sons named RONALD J. YARAS whose 1957 address was 9881 West Bay Harbor Drive, Bay Harbor Island, Miami Beach, Florida, and LEONARD YARAS, whose last known address was that of his parents, 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

II. ASSOCIATES:

ANTHONY J. ACCARDO

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The "Chicago Daily News", April 28, 1961, page 5, reflects that among the "crime syndicate figures, who attended the reception of [redacted] was DAVE YARAS, former enforcer here who took over operations in the Miami area."

Chicago newspapers, and the Chicago Police Department Intelligence Unit had described ANTHONY ACCARDO as the "Dean Emeritus" of Chicago organized crime, who up until 1956 was the undisputed leader of the Chicago organized criminal element.

FELIX ALDERISIO, aka
"Milwaukee Phil"

MM T-4 has described ALDERISIO as recently as 1963, as a "muscle man" for Chicago organized crime operating primarily on Chicago's near north side.

ALDERISIO is currently under indictment in Federal District Court, Southern District of Florida, on charges of attempted extortion.

PETER J. ARNSTEIN, aka
Pete Arnold

PETE ARNOLD (ARNSTEIN) has been described by MM T-5 in April, 1964, as a long-time associate of prominent members of the organized criminal element from Chicago. ARNSTEIN is the owner of a residence in an apartment building located at 5970-5980 Indian Creek Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. This apartment building, according to MM T- is utilized during the winter season for visiting members of the Chicago organized criminal element.

NICHOLAS BRAVOS, Chicago, Illinois

BRAVOS has been described by MM T-5 as a "juice man" and enforcer in Chicago's west and near north sides. MM T-5 states that BRAVOS spends a considerable amount of time traveling between Chicago and Miami during the winter racing season in the Miami area.

Reference is made to the legitimate activites section of this report concerning the alleged interest of YARAS and BRAVOS in the A-1 Uniform Service in Chicago.

JACK CERONE, Chicago, Illinois

CERONE has been described by MM T-1 in 1962 and 1963 as one of the members of the Hierarchy of

the Chicago organized criminal element. In this capacity, CERONE is utilized as one of the individuals who carries out "contracts" or executions of those persons marked for assassination by SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, leader of the organized criminal element in Chicago.

MM T-1 advised during the winter of 1962, CERONE was in contact with DAVID YARAS during that period for the purpose of the fulfillment of one of the above described "contracts."

MICHAEL COPPOLA, 4431 Alton Road, Miami Beach

COPPOLA is a former member of organized crime in the New York City area, who now resides in Miami Beach. He has been convicted of income tax evasion in Federal District Court, Southern District of Florida.

WILLIAM DENTAMARO, Chicago, Illinois
FBI #394200A

DENTAMARO has been described as a Chicago and Miami jewel thief and burglar.

As of 1958 DENTAMARO was seen in a 1957 Cadillac bearing 1958 Illinois License #701234 accompanied by CARL FIORITO, FBI #3110979 and DAVID YARAS.

[redacted], aka [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] is a member of the New York criminal organization who now resides at [redacted] Miami Beach, Florida.

He is closely associated with MICHAEL COPPOLA and has also been seen in company with DAVID YARAS.

BERNARD FRANK, Miami Beach, Florida

BERNARD FRANK is a newly elected councilman for the City of Miami Beach.

MM T-2 advised in 1964 that YARAS and FRANK are seen frequently together at the Bay Shore Country Club, and at the Normandy Shores Country Club, Miami Beach, Florida. It is the opinion of this informant that YARAS treats FRANK as an "errand boy" and FRANK is definitely subservient to the orders and whims of YARAS.

JOSEPH FISCHETTI, aka Joseph Fischer
Miami, Florida

FISCHETTI is one of the FISCHETTI brothers of Chicago, and New York, and was associated with the AL CAPONE Mob in Chicago. He has resided in the Miami area since the early 1950s and since that time has concerned himself with gambling activities and in various legitimate enterprises in the Miami and Miami Beach, Florida area.

As of the winter of 1962, YARAS was observed in conversation with JOSEPH FISCHETTI in Miami Beach.

SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, Chicago, Illinois

MM T-4 advised that as of 1963, GIANCANA was the leader of organized crime in Chicago and one of the top

members of organized criminal element in the United States.

MM T-1 advised that as of 1962, one of YARAS' functions in Miami, was to carry out the instructions of GIANCANA on matters of interest to the Chicago organization, which take place in the Greater Miami area.

BENJAMIN HUSICK,
FBI #628552
4565 Nautilus Court, Miami
Beach, Florida

According to MM T-2 HUSICK is the proprietor of the Klene Towel and Linen Supply Company, Miami Beach, in partnership with DAVID YARAS. This informant stated that HUSICK is also the partner of YARAS in whatever gambling operations YARAS is engaged in in the Miami area.

MM T-2 has advised that HUSICK and YARAS may also have an interest in a linen business known as Tops Linen Supply Company, 7th Street and Washington Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida.

JOSEPH MASSEI, aka
520 Lakeview Court,
Miami Beach, Florida

MASSEI, a former member of the hierarchy of organized crime in Detroit, Michigan, now resides permanently in the Miami area and his main source of legitimate income is the Miami Provision Company, 2301 NE Miami Court, Miami, Florida. This enterprise supplies wholesale meat to numerous restaurants and hotels in the Greater Miami area.

Miami informants have reported that MASSEI represents the "Detroit Syndicate" in shylocking activity in the Miami area, and maintains his office for this activity at 212 - 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

MM T-2 advised that MASSEI is a close associate of YARAS and is in almost daily contact with him.

LEONARD PATRICK, aka
Chicago, Illinois

LEONARD PATRICK has been known by law enforcement agencies in Chicago and by public sources and also by informants as a partner of YARAS in practically all of YARAS' Chicago enterprises. Reference is made to the criminal activities section of this report, where considerable information is reported relating to the activities of PATRICK in connection with various gangland slayings in the Chicago area with YARAS. Reference is also made to the legitimate activities section of this report, wherein PATRICK is reflected as a partner of YARAS' in various legitimate enterprises in Chicago and elsewhere.

III. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

GANGLAND SLAYINGS

In 1946, JAMES RAGEN, operator of the Continental Wire Service at Chicago, Illinois, was slain in gangland fashion in Chicago. Witnesses to this crime placed the killers as DAVID YARAS, WILLIAM BLOCK, and LEONARD PATRICK.

In October, 1950, newspaper accounts of the KEFAUVER Committee Hearings, made reference to the above three individuals having been involved in this killing and accounts stated that YARAS, BLOCK and PATRICK were suspects in the recent

killing of WILLIAM DRURY, retired captain of the Chicago Police Department. These accounts reflected that at the time of the KEFAUVER hearings, YARAS was residing in the Westover Apartments in Miami Beach, and was planning in the near future to move into a new home at 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach. YARAS, according to these stories, had been on friendly terms for sometime with JOE MASSEI, who according to the articles was one of the top racketeers in the United States, who controlled half of the numbers rackets in Detroit, Michigan, but spent most of his time in Miami Beach, Florida.

The records of the Chicago Police Department concerning the murder of JAMES RAGEN, reflected that on March 7, 1947, BLOCK, PATRICK and YARAS were indicted by the Cook County, Illinois Grand Jury for the murder of RAGEN. These three men were identified by three witnesses, who stated that they had seen YARAS, PATRICK and BLOCK in the assassination truck at the time of the shooting. YARAS was known by the police to be a gunman for the syndicate and was believed to have been implicated in the gangland murders of WILLIE TARSCH and "ZUKIE the Bookie" ZUCKERMAN, Chicago gambler. It was noted that YARAS was not in custody and did not surrender himself until the day that the States Attorney's Office nolle prossed the indictment on April 3, 1947.

The "Chicago American" dated October 14, 1947, contained an article which reflected that THOMAS "Little Bud" SINCLAIR, 3808 South State Street, Chicago, was to be booked on a murder charge for the killing of JOHN WHITE, 22 on June 14, 1947. WHITE was one of the three men who identified WILLIAM BLOCK, LEONARD PATRICK and DAVID YARAS as the slayers of JAMES M. RAGEN.

The "Chicago Daily News", dated July 30, 1947, contained an article which reflected that indictments against Captain THOMAS CONNELLY and Lieutenant WILLIAM DRURY, suspended police officers charged with framing evidence in the shooting of JAMES M. RAGEN, racing news boss, were dropped. The officers were accused of conspiring with three witnesses to obtain murder indictments against three hoodlums for the shotgun shooting of RAGEN on June 24, 1946.

BLOCK, PATRICK and YARAS were indicted on charges of slaying RAGEN, but were subsequently freed when two witnesses, who had identified them, changed their stories, and withdrew their identifications.

The "Chicago American" dated September 20, 1947, contained an article captioned "Prosecutors Failed to Back Police Heroes." The article was as follows:

"Last March 18, the fatal shooting of JAMES N. RAGEN, nine months earlier seemed to have been solved. The Grand Jury returned a murder indictment against WILLIE BLOCK, DAVE YARAS and LEONARD PATRICK, three Westside gamblers as the slayers. Just sixteen days later, on April 3, BLOCK, YARAS and PATRICK were freed by Criminal Court Chief Justice HAROLD G. WARD when States Attorney WILLIAM G. TOUHY appeared and asked for dismissal of the charges. On the same day, Captain CONNELLY, Lieutenant DRURY and two of their witnesses were indicted by the same Grand Jury on charges of conspiracy."

The "Chicago American" dated October 8, 1947, contained an article captioned "Seized in Ragen Witness Murder." The article related that THOMAS SINCLAIR, sought in the slaying of JOHN WHITE, witness to the murder of JAMES RAGEN, head of racing news service, had been arrested in Little Rock, Arkansas, the States Attorney's Office announced. WHITE was

killed at 35th Street and Indiana Avenue, (Chicago). He saw RAGEN murdered by gunmen, later identified as WILLIE BLOCK, DAVE YARAS and LEONARD PATRICK, all Westside hoodlums. On his death bed, WHITE named [redacted] as one of the men who killed him. b6 b7C

During the winter season of 1962, MM T-1 advised that DAVE YARAS held a series of meetings with, among others, FIORE BUCCIERI, JAMES "TURK" TORELLO and JACK CERONE, concerning ways and means of carrying out an execution order issued by SAMUEL GIANCANA in Chicago, earlier that year. The victim of this proposed execution was one FRANK ESPOSITO, of Chicago, who at that time was spending the winter season at his Hollywood, Florida winter residence. ESPOSITO is president of the Municipal Employees Union in Chicago, and a long-time associate of prominent members of the Chicago organized criminal element.

According to MM T-1 YARAS was jointly responsible with CERONE for the successful perpetration of this slaying, which never took place. Reasons for the proposed execution of ESPOSITO were unknown to the informant, however, it is noted that ESPOSITO, as of March, 1964, was alive and well, and continues to spend his winter seasons in Hollywood, Florida.

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JEWEL THEFT AND BURGLARY ACTIVITIES

On February 26, 1957, MM T-6 advised that there was recently a theft of $60,000.00 worth of jewelry in Miami from one [redacted] and that this robbery had been perpetrated by WILLIAM DENTAMARO, PETER JULIAN ARNSTEIN, and DAVE YARAS.

This informant further advised that the jewelry from this robbery had been brought to Chicago where it had been exhibited to [redacted] Chicago jewelry fence, who in turn, contacted the victim, [redacted] and offered to resell it to [redacted] later disposed of this jewelry in Chicago.

On January 19, 1952, sample cases of jewelry valued at $40,000.00 were stolen at St. Petersburg, Florida. b6 b7C

On March 4, 1952, DAVE YARAS was picked up by the Miami Police Department for investigation. Another individual, claiming to be the companion of YARAS at this time, was also picked up and identified as [redacted] of the Indian Creek Hotel. At this time, [redacted] a wholesale jewelry salesman, telephoned the Miami Beach Police Department and said that he was being followed as he drove along the Miami Beach streets. He indicated that he had two cases of valuable jewelry in his car at the time and reported this surveillance to the Police Department.

Detectives [redacted] and [redacted] investigated this complaint and when they appeared at a jewelry stop on Lincoln Road and Michigan Avenue, in Miami Beach, [redacted] furnished the license number of the car which he had caught during one of his doubling back maneuvers.

While [redacted] was at the jewelry store checking on the license, he observed YARAS enter the jewelry store and when YARAS observed [redacted], he turned and fled and was subsequently picked up.

The "Miami Daily News" for March 4, 1952, stated that YARAS is the husband of Mrs. MARILYN YARAS, operator of the Tahiti Bar, 23rd Street, Miami Beach. The article also stated that YARAS had been arrested 12 times in Chicago and in 1946 was questioned for the murder of JAMES M. RAGEN racing wire boss in Chicago.

Regarding the arrest on March 4, 1952 of YARAS and [redacted], bond was set for both individuals at $5,000.00 and on March 12, 1952, this case was dismissed. b6 b7C

During November, 1953, MM T-6 advised that [redacted], doing business at 5 South Wabash, Chicago, Illinois, is a close friend of DAVE YARAS, who in turn is a contact for jewel thieves in Florida for [redacted], who is one of the bigger jewelry fences in the Chicago area.

On May 12, 1955, Detective [redacted] and Patrolman [redacted] of the jewelry detail, Chicago Police Department, advised SA HAMLIN A. SMITH that at approximately 11:30 AM on May 12, 1955, while they were in the vicinity of the Mallers Building, 5 South Wabash Street, Chicago, they observed [redacted] hide in a doorway in the building at the corner of Michigan and Madison Streets, Chicago. They observed [redacted] run and enter a 1955 Ford, bearing Illinois license plates 192-067. These plates were issued for an Oldsmobile to the Stockton Leasing Company, 3115 North Broadway, Chicago. The policeman contacted [redacted] of this company, who advised that his organization, called Wilson Drive-Away, furnishes drivers for the Stockton Leasing Company, mentioned above, and that the 1955 Ford, which had been under surveillance, was the property of the Stockton Leasing Company.

Officers [redacted] and [redacted] made contact with [redacted], [redacted] the Stockton Leasing Company, and through interrogation, determined that this particular Ford was given to [redacted], DAVE YARAS. Both Sergeant [redacted] and Patrolman [redacted] stated that YARAS was well known in Chicago police circles as a jewel thief. Further, [redacted] had been known by the police in the past to rent automobiles to jewelry salesmen whom [redacted] believed were involved in many jewel thefts which had recently taken place in the Chicago area.

Officer [redacted] indicated they immediately set out a surveillance in the vicinity of the Stockton Leasing Company with the expectation of making an arrest of [redacted] and YARAS when they returned the automobile in question.

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Officer [redacted] advised SA SMITH that on that date this car was driven to the Stockton Leasing Company by a woman who identified herself as Mrs. [redacted] and was an employee with Popular Mechanics Magazine in Chicago. Mrs [redacted] related that she received telephonic instruction to pick up this Ford, which she had previously arranged to drive to California on the following day. Patrolman [redacted] stated that Mrs. [redacted] further advised that an individual who identified himself as "DAVIE" came out of the store and gave her the keys to the Ford and told her to return to the Stockton Leasing Company, where she would officially take over this car for her trip to California.

In view of the above, Officers [redacted] and [redacted] conducted no further investigation since they felt that both [redacted] and YARAS had been tipped off by [redacted].

GAMBLING ACTIVITIES

On July 7, 1958, MM T- 7 advised that during the early part of June, 1958, DAVE YARAS approached [redacted] Chicago bookmaker, [redacted] he intended to get out of the gambling business entirely and, in fact, planned to go into a legitimate produce business operated by his brother-in-law.

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Various Chicago informants have stated from 1958 through 1964 that DAVE YARAS is a partner and has been a partner for many years of LEONARD PATRICK, known to these informants as a member of the Chicago criminal organization. YARAS and PATRICK are reputed to have a certain amount of control over gambling enterprises in certain northside districts in Chicago.

VIRGIL PETERSON, Operating Director of the Chicago Crime Commission, advised in 1947 that at that time the handbooks in the 24th ward of Chicago, stronghold of JAKE ARVEY and ARTHUR X. ELROD, were reopening. According to Director PETERSON, the 24th ward is the stronghold of DAVE YARAS, WILLIAM E. BLOCK and LEONARD PATRICK, all of whom were named as suspects in the shooting of JAMES M. RAGEN.

An article appearing in the "Chicago Daily Tribune" on March 22, 1950, reflected that police sources claimed that EMMETT KEARNS, a westside Chicago gambling figure, who was found slain in Indiana on March 21, 1950, had been closely associated with LEONARD PATRICK and DAVE YARAS in gambling activities on the westside.

On February 10, 1953, FRED FREED, 4225 Royal Palm Avenue, Miami Beach, advised SA CHARLES J. MATHEWS that he, FREED, had been designated gambling commissioner in the republic of Cuba and had held that position for several months until January, 1953, when he was discharged as a result of unfavorable newspaper publicity. FREED stated that he had heard rumors that JOE MASSEI, leading racketeer in the Miami area, had bought 50% of the interest in the San Souci gambling casino in Havana. FREED stated that DAVE YARAS was reputed to have ½ of MASSEI's interest.

On May 10, 1956, MM T-6 advised SA JOHN F. GLENVILLE that [redacted] the Club Specialty Company, located on North Hallstead Street, Chicago, manufactured square jar gumball machines with plastic balls contained therein. These plastic balls have slot machine insignia which are inserted into them. Informant stated that [redacted] the American Amusement Company, a dealer of slot machines. His partner in this enterprise was DAVE YARAS, who was very closely associated with the CAPONE mob. b6 b7C

On February 7, 1956, MM T-2 advised that DAVE YARAS, former partner of LEONARD PATRICK, was operating tavern and bookmaking establishments in the State of Florida.

On December 18, 1958, MM T-7 advised that one JOHN CANNATTA, 181 South Lazelle, Columbus, Ohio, represented a group of persons who in the past have placed large bets on football games and other sports with Chicago bookmakers. CANNATTA followed the practive of "laying off" these bets with bookmakers in several cities other than Chicago.

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MM T- advised in 1961 that the Roosevelt Road - Central Park area in Chicago commonly known as the Fillmore District, is controlled mainly by LEONARD PATRICK who also has control of the Jewish District in Rogers Park of the northside of Chicago. According to this source, PATRICK derived his power mainly from DAVE YARAS and YARAS continues to exert influence in both of the above areas and also gains monetary benefits therefrom.

MM T- advised on April 2, 1962, that one of the largest handbook operations currently in operation in Chicago is that of the new Lawndale Restaurant located near Independence Boulevard, Roosevelt Road. Informant states that this operation is under the control of the organized criminal element in Chicago represented in this particular instance by LENNIE PATRICK and DAVE YARAS. An individual named YUDI (LNU), is in charge of this operation and both horse and sports bets are accepted on the telephone and in person in a back room of the restaurant. Collections and payoffs for this enterprise are made at the Berwyn Currency Exchange near the intersection of Berwyn and Sheridan Road on the far northside of Chicago. Informant states that he understands this currency exchange is controlled by PATRICK and YARAS, who not only have control of gambling in the Lawndale District, but also in the Rogers Park District of Chicago.

MM T- 2 advised during October, 1958, that MEYER LANSKY, FBI #791783, a national gambling figure associated with casinos in Havana and in Las Vegas, was at [redacted], Miami Beach, on October 10, 1958, and was in contact with DAVE YARAS [redacted]. b7D

MM T- 2 advised in June, 1960, that DAVE YARAS had, at that time, the major portion of a large "layoff" operation which was utilized by sports "books" from all parts of the country. This operation was, as of 1960, in the Soverign Hotel, 6200 North Kenmore Street in Chicago.

MM T- 2 advised on May 25, 1961, that as of that time DAVE YARAS was in Chicago and making Miami his winter home. Informant heard that YARAS has a piece of the gambling action of BEN HUSICK in Miami and in return HUSICK has a piece of YARAS' bookmaking and gambling activities in Chicago.

MM T- 2 advised on February 20, 1962, that BEN HUSICK, mentioned above, as of that time was running a blackjack game at the Patio Bridge Club in Miami Beach. Persons in the knew surmised that [redacted] took HUSICK in as a partner by reason that he was forced to do so. b6 b7C

At the Bayshore Country Club in Miami Beach, according to this informant, the gambling action is very heavy. For two days, as of February 20, 1962, BENJAMIN COHEN, an attorney who appears to be very close to DAVE YARAS, WOLFIE COHEN, the Miami Beach Councilman, SANFORD WATERMAN and DAVE YARAS, have been playing hearts. It was observed by the informant that BEN HUSICK, above, had been driving YARAS to the Bayshore Country Club and picking him up at that location.

Also at the Bayshore Country Club, according to informant, [redacted] was running errands for YARAS, ARTHUR SAMURIN and HERMAN STARK. b6 b7C

On April 25, 1963, Mrs. [redacted] of the Miami Police Department Intelligence Unit, advised that the Chicago Police Department had stated that one of the gambling associates of DAVE YARAS was one NICK BRAVOS of 2059 North Newcastle Avenue, Chicago. BRAVOS is a well known Chicago bookmaker who is connected with the A-1 Industrial Uniform Company in Chicago. The Chicago Police Department advised that another associate of YARAS in the gambling field was GEORGE BRAVOS, brother of NICK. GEORGE BRAVOS is also an officer in the A-1 Industrial Uniform Company in Chicago. b6 b7C

MISCELLANEOUS CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

On October 9, 1959, MM T-2 advised that the reason [redacted] had been used in the pledging of stolen [redacted] in Miami was because the [redacted] had swindled [redacted] out of [redacted] According to informant, the [redacted] had been borrowed from some hoodlums who frequent the 23rd Street area of Miami Beach. Informant related that [redacted] had been beaten up by DAVE YARAS as a result of this swindle so that the informant was of the opinion that at least part of the [redacted] had been borrowed from YARAS. b6 b7C b7D

MM T-2 advised on October 30, 1959, that DAVE YARAS had recently accepted two separate bets from contractors doing construction work at the San Souci Estates and that one of the contractors welched on his bet with the result that YARAS and another individual, name unknown, physically beat the contractor. As far as the informant knows, this matter was not reported to the police.

On April 5, 1957, two individuals who refused to furnish their names, appeared at the Chicago Office of the FBI and advised SA RENE J. DUMAINE and SA [redacted] of the following: b6 b7C

These individuals related that they are in the business of the home improvement field in Chicago, which operates in interstate commerce. They advised that on the advice of their attorney, whose name they refused to divulge, they contacted the FBI and related the following story:

They stated that approximately [redacted] they were approached by LEONARD PATRICK and DAVE YARAS. They said that these individuals told them that they would have to start making payoffs amounting to [redacted] per week. They advised that PATRICK and YARAS made no indication as to the reason for the payoff, but knowing the reputation of these two, they were fearful of them. The complainants stated that after some negotiation with YARAS and PATRICK they agreed to make a payment of [redacted] per month commencing [redacted] 1957. b7D

They stated that they had discussed this payoff with other individuals in the home improvement industry and found that they too had been approached and some were actually making payoffs.

These unknown complainants refused to furnish their names, the name of their company or the name of their attorney. They stated they did not want to get mixed up in any investigation in which they might become potential government witnesses against YARAS and PATRICK.

In February, 1964, MM T-9 advised of the following:

In the early part of 1963 informant obtained an [redacted] where informant has other business interests. b6 b7C b7D

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On February 22, 1964, a photograph of DAVID YARAS, FBI #655697, was displayed to the informant, at which time informant identified the individual whom he knew as DAVIE as DAVE YARAS, the associate of [redacted]

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INTERVIEW WITH [redacted]

DANIEL SULLIVAN, Director of the Greater Miami Crime Commission, advised on March 6, 1959, that he had heard from [redacted] DAVID YARAS. Director SULLIVAN advised that recently YARAS had been charged with armed robbery on Miami Beach and sought the financial aid of JOSEPH MASSEI, a hoodlum of considerable wealth. In conversation with [redacted] Director SULLIVAN said [redacted] the following individuals:

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JACK PATRICK, Chicago, Illinois, brother of LEONARD PATRICK;
LEONARD PATRICK;
[redacted] allegedly a relative of JOE DI CARLO;

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JOE BOMMARITO, FBI #145941, a Detroit hoodlum who spends a great deal of time on Miami Beach;

MICHAEL GIORANO, aka., Nick Jerome, FBI #217633B, a gambler and racketeer on Miami Beach;

JAMES TAMER, FBI #312773, a Miami Beach and Canadian bookmaker and gambler;

BENJAMIN HUSICK, FBI #628552, a bookmaker, gambler and burglar presently operating the Washington Literary Club, Miami Beach, a card and bookmaking establishment;

WILLIAM "BLACKBILL" TOCCO, Detroit Police Department #24030, Detroit hoodlum and racketeer;

ABE BROWN, FBI #191275, Miami Beach gambler and bookmaker;

JOSEPH MASSEI;

MAX EDER, aka., Max Raymond, FBI # 236413, gambler and strongarm man from Miami Beach;

DAVID GLASS, FBI #3733899, formerly a numbers man from Philadelphia and now co-owner of the Golden Nugget Motel, Dade County;

[redacted] aka., [redacted] b6 b7C

ANTHONY SALERNO, aka., "Fat Tony", FBI #4816958, gambler in control of numbers in East Harlem, New York City, who makes his home in New York City and Miami Beach;

[redacted] criminal lawyer, Miami Beach;

MARCIE LIEBERMAN, Miami Beach City Councilman;

[redacted] bookmaker and gambler, formerly S & G syndicate agent at the Marine Terrace Hotel, Miami Beach in 1950;

[redacted] Chicago, Illinois Police Department Captain;

PAUL DE LUCIA, aka., Paul Ricca, FBI #832514, CAPONE gang hoodlum residing in Chicago, Illinois;

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ANTHONY ACCARDO, FBI #410106;

WILLIAM BISCHOFF, aka., Lefty Clark, a gambler formerly connected with the Tropicana Night Club and Hotel Capri gambling casino, Havana, Cuba;

MICHAEL COPPOLA, aka., "Trigger Mike", FBI #677976;

ARTHUR SAMURIN, Miami Beach gambler and bookmaker, formerly an S & G gambling syndicate agent in 1950 in Miami Beach;

MAX STERN, Detroit racketeer and numbers man now residing in Miami Beach;

[redacted], strongarm man formerly from Detroit, Michigan and close associate of JOE MASSEI;

SAM TUCKER, FBI #97725B, former Havana, Cuba gambler now a Las Vegas gambler and casino owner;

KLENE LINEN SUPPLY COMPANY,
1117 FIFTH STREET,
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

MM T-2 advised on December 11, 1962, that he had learned that DAVE YARAS, a close friend of BEN HUSICK, was in and out of town twice during the early part of December. Informant heard at that time that BEN HUSICK and YARAS are using the quarters where the #1651 Moose Club, formerly existed, to operate a new business started by them about two weeks ago, known as the Klene Linen and Supply Company. This firm supplies the hotels along the beach with linens and linen supplies, as well as uniforms. Informant understands that HUSICK and YARAS hope, through this means to get a foothold on the linen association and eventually take it over.

MM T-2 advised on January 8, 1963, that the Klene Linen Supply Company at that time had two panel trucks and were doing a good business.

According to this informant, YARAS makes the proper telephone calls to the "proper" individuals and establishments, and the business continues to roll in.

Physical observation of the location of the Klene Linen Supply at 1117 Fifth Street, Miami Beach, Florida, on April 10, 1964, indicates that this is a small, ramshackle establishment, which apparently does little business from this observation.

MM T-2 advised in May, 1964, that the Klene Linen Supply Company was about to go out of business, and

had some prospective customers in line to buy out the supply company. Informant stated that YARAS and HUSICK have built up a fraudulent customer list to display to prospective buyers, and after the prospect takes over the business, YARAS and HUSICK plan on opening another linen supply company, and take all of their previous customers from Klene with them in the new establishment.

MM T-10 advised on February 24, 1964, that he had recently learned that many of the linen services throughout the country are financed by the organized criminal element.

Informant stated he had specifically heard that in this area one such company is the Klene Linen Supply at 1117 Fifth Street, Miami Beach, Florida, which is operated by BEN HUSICK, who is fronting for DAVID YARAS.

MM T-10 advised on March 10, 1964, that he had learned that the Cascade Linen Supply Service had bought out or was contemplating buying out the Klene Linen Supply Company.

SUSCO CAR RENTAL SYSTEM OF FLORIDA, INCORPORATED,
340 - 23rd STREET,
MIAMI, BEACH, FLORIDA

The records of MM T-11 as furnished on January 20, 1958, reflected the following locations for the Susco Car Rental System of Florida, Incorporated:

244 NE First Street, Miami, Florida

340 - 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida

18330 Collins Avenue,
Miami Beach, Florida

The following named individuals are officers of the Susco Car Rental System of Florida, Incorporated:

1. MONROE M. GITTLESON, President

2. RONALD J. YARAS, Secretary - Treasurer

3. [redacted] b6 b7C

The directors are the officers.

According to MM T-11, this corporation was chartered under Florida Laws on June 3, 1955, as the Susco Rent-A-Car System, Incorporated, and began with $2,000.00 capitalization with authorized stock of fifty shares, no par. Corporate name is said to have been changed from Gittleson to its present corporate style soon after incorporation.

On July 22, 1955, MONROE M. GITTLESON declined details regarding his own and also the background information on YARAS. Local records have shown that there are no reports written on either of the principals, and are not known presently to have any other business in Miami or Miami Beach at the present time.

This business began with nominal capitalization, however, operations seem to have prospered. During 1955 GITTLESON had approximately 200 cars for rent during the winter season. During the summer months he has had between

75 and 80 automobiles. At that time this company operated solely from an address of 340 - 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida. During 1956, GITTLESON expended his operations and maintained branches at 18330 Collins Avenue, North Miami Beach, Florida, and also at 244 NE First Street, Miami.

GITTLESON was interviewed on December 26, 1956, and declined all information regarding the operations. It has been determined that at the end of each year the automobiles are sold and the money received, together with profits made during the year, is reinvested in new automobiles at the beginning of the winter season. It is believed that the company is heavily supported by loans from the officers. Outside financing details have not been determined.

GITTLESON has stated that past seasons have been on a profitable basis and the outlook for the next year is satisfactory.

An account is maintained at a local bank with balances averaging moderate four figure proportions on a satisfactory, non-borrowing basis.

MM T-12 stated on August 2, 1962, that he had learned that MONROE M. GITELSON is now the owner of the Susco Rent-A-Car System, located at 340 - 23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

Informant stated that at one time DAVE YARAS had an interest in the business, but that YARAS had invested in it in order to give his son, RONALD, some business experience.

The informant stated that as of January, 1962, YARAS no longer had any interest in the firm, however, on

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Informant continued that GITTLESON maintains that he was in the car rental business in Chicago, and when he came to Miami, bought into Susco's Miami Beach operation, however, at that time, GITTLESON told the informant that he needed a partner with some money and, therefore, brought in DAVE YARAS. YARAS, according to the informant, bought into this business in order to give his son some business experience. GITTLESON told the informant that RONALD YARAS was not a very diligent or capable businessman and as a result GITTLESON bought out YARAS' interest, and now operates this business entirely by himself.

The files of the Miami Beach Police Department as checked on February 2, 1962, revealed that under date of October 11, 1951, MONROE M. GITELSON was fingerprinted under Miami Beach Police Department #C-180463. He is described as a white male, date of birth May 7, 1919, Chicago, Illinois, 6', 180 pounds, hazel eyes and black hair. At that time his local address was given as the Tradewinds Apartments, and his northern address as 215 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois. He listed as the person to notify in case of accident as his brother, DAVID GARDNER, 12 East Ohio Street, Chicago, Illinois.

GITTLESON frequently refers to his twin brother, DAVE GARDNER, whom he said is manager of the Ambassador Hotel in Chicago, and who legally had his name changed from GITTLESON to GARDNER.

Chicago informants have stated in the past that DAVE GARDNER, manager of the Ambassador East Hotel, Chicago, and associated with the St. Clair Hotel in Chicago, is on extremely friendly terms with MURRAY HUMPHREYS, FRANK FERRARO and GUS ALEX.

MM T-4, T-5 and T-8 have described HUMPHREYS, FERRARO and ALEX as leaders of organized crime in Chicago, particularly in the Loop and near north sides of Chicago.

Informant stated that DAVE GARDNER is now deceased, having passed away sometime during 1963. GARDNER died of a heart attack.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD

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On February 25, 1958, the FBI Identification Record of DAVID YARAS was received under FBI #655697 and is set forth as follows:

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME & NUMBER	ARRESTED OR REC'D	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD, Chicago, Ill.	DAVID YARAS #C-47789	4/9/33	GP	4/10/33 discharged

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME & NUMBER	ARRESTED OR REC'D	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Hammond, Ind.	DAVID YARAS, #1895	6/24/34	Robbery	Filed direct to Crim. Crt. Crown Point, Ind.
County Jail, Crown Point, Ind.	DAVID YARAS, #14894	6/29/34	Robbery	$1500 bond 12/24/34 case dismissed
PD Chicago, Ill.	DAVID YARAS, #----	6/29/36	Inv.	Rel'd 7/3/36
PD, Cincinnati, Ohio	DAVID YARAS, #50285	6/3/48	$100.	11/30/48 reduced to destruction of prop. fined

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME & NUMBER	ARRESTED OR REC'D	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
PD Miami Beach, Fla.	DAVID YARAS, #C-167108		Appl for fingerprints 9/27/50	
PD Miami Beach, Fla.	DAVE YARAS, A-18493	3/4/52	Vagrancy	3/12/52 dismissed
PD Detroit, Mich.	DAVID YARAS, #107517	11/21/52	Inv.	11/22/52 dismissed, no case

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MISCELLANEOUS:

Telephone Calls

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On 4/8/64 at Miami, Florida File # MM 92-1047

by IC RONALD G. THIXTON:mn Date dictated 4/14/64

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The above records are confidential and can only be obtained through the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum. This subpoena should be directed to [redacted] or his authorized representative.

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PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES:

MM T-2 has stated on various dates from 1960 through 1964, that YARAS, when in the Miami area, frequents the Bayshore Country Club, Miami Beach, Florida, on an almost daily basis. At the Bayshore Club, YARAS holds court in the coffee shop, and occasionally plays golf. The telephone behind the bar in this coffee shop is for YARAS's personal use, and may be used by others in this coffee shop only when YARAS gives his consent.

According to MM T-2, YARAS receives those visitors whom he desires to see, and others must wait in the anti room. An example of this is the fact that Miami Beach Councilman and Vice-Mayor BERNARD FRANK is a frequent visitor and consultant with YARAS, and on some of these occasions YARAS has brusquely ordered FRANK to sit at another table and wait for him to be called for such consultation.

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MM T-13 advised that DAVE YARAS is only an

DESCRIPTION:

The following is a description of YARAS as obtained from personal observation and records of the Police Department:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
DOB:	11/7/12
POB:	Chicago, Illinois
FBI #:	655697
Miami Beach PD #:	A-18493
Height:	5'8" - 9"
Weight:	175 - 190 pounds
Build:	Medium - Heavy
Hair:	Black - greying
Complexion:	Tanned
Residence:	4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Florida
Wife:	MARILYN YARAS
Sons:	RONALD J. YARAS LEONARD YARAS

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida

JUL 28 1964

Title DAVID YARAS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Reference is made to report of SA RALPH R. HILL dated and captioned as above at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO DATE: 7/29/64

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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[redacted] (protect identity) advised SA RALPH R. HILL on July 21, 1964 that YARAS, accompanied by [redacted] has been in Chicago for about six weeks and will probably remain there through the hot summer months. YARAS also has [redacted]. It is noted that [redacted] advised that YARAS has [redacted], and that they are [redacted] RONALD J. YARAS [redacted] stated that YARAS has been [redacted] for little more than a year.

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[redacted] had been staying either at the Park Sheraton Hotel, or the Sheridan (Motel?) in Chicago, but they were contemplating moving to another location.

Chicago is requested to take steps to ascertain YARAS' present Chicago location and determine his activities while there.

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DAVID YARAS, aka.,
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(OO:Miami)

The captioned subject, considered a top hoodlum in the Chicago and Miami Divisions, reportedly maintains residence in both Chicago and Miami, and has numerous business interests in Chicago.

Springfield is requested to make inquiry at the Illinois State Department of Motor Vehicles to determine if YARAS holds an Illinois drivers license and if any vehicles are registered to him in the State of Illinois.

For the informantion of Springfield YARAS is described ass WMA, birth 11/7/12, Chicago, Illinois, height 5'9", weight 175-190, hair black, residence 4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Florida (no Chicago address known), [redacted] sons RONALD J. and LEONARD YARAS.

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	CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

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At Chicago, Illinois:

WILL CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION:

*1. BIRTH IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

Date of birth as stated in Selective Service Form of YARAS as November 7, 1912, at Chicago.

*2. Will conduct investigation at the Chicago Police Department regarding the current criminal record of YARAS, under Chicago Bureau of Identification No. C-59530.

*3. Will also at the Chicago Police Department conduct inquiry pertaining to an up-to-date record, if available, concerning YARAS at the Chicago Police Department Intelligence Unit.

*4. A review of the files in the Miami Office relating to YARAS reflects either through allegations by informants or through interviews that YARAS is in some manner connected with the companies set out herein. Chicago is

requested to conduct investigation and determine the extent of YARAS' association with these companies and holdings therein if known. These companies and/or business organizations are as follows: (All are located within the Chicago Division)

Midwest Triumph Company
A-1 Uniform Service
Gellman Manufacturing Company
Litt Big Dollar Stores
Herman Sales Company
Mid-States Jaguar
New Lawndale Restaurant
Rothfield and Ross Insurance Company
Gerald Motors, 8201 Skokie Boulevard
Near North Management Company, 341 East Ohio
Reliable Products, 3328 or 4046 West Roosevelt
Tavern located at 3617 West Roosevelt
Capital Vending Company
Hal Opper Plymouth, 7744 South Stoney Island
Volkswagen Distributorship, 95th and Beverly
Columbus Park Hotel

*5. Will identify subscribers to telephone toll calls from Miami to Chicago as set out in the body of this report.

*6. Will review the records of the Chicago Crime Commission concerning the activities of YARAS.

7. Will review information reported by CG 6343-C and by CG 6758-C* regarding information concerning YARAS.

*8. Attempt to establish the Chicago residence of YARAS, it being noted that it is estimated YARAS spends half of his time in Chicago. He was last known to have stayed on a regular basis at the Tides Motel in Chicago, Illinois. If residence at the Tides or any other establishment is verified, will attempt to establish confidential sources within that establishment.

9. Will verify residence of RONALD YARAS, son of the subject, at 2952 West Fargo, Chicago, Illinois. This address was given by RONALD YARAS as of June, 1964. If this residence is verified, attempt to ascertain if DAVID YARAS utilizes this address as his summer residence when visiting Chicago.

10. Identify subscribers to the telephone numbers called by RONALD YARAS from the Venetian Isle Motel, Miami Beach, as reflected in the details of this report.

MIAMI

At Miami and Miami Beach, Florida:

1. Will continue, through physical surveillance and confidential sources, to ascertain the activities of YARAS, his associates, legitimate activities, and criminal activities.

2. Will conduct investigation in the Chase Federal Savings and Loan Association, Miami Beach, concerning bank accounts, safety deposit boxes, and home mortgage on the part of YARAS and/or his family.

3. Will contact DANIEL SULLIVAN of the Greater Miami Crime Commission concerning any up-to-date information in his possession concerning YARAS and his associates.

4. Will interview HOWARD PREUSS, formerly of the Miller Highlife Distributing Company, Miami, upon his return to the Miami area. This interview is to be conducted in connection with a possible YARAS interest in this company.

5. Will ascertain full details concerning YARAS' interest and income from Susco Automobile Rental, Miami Beach, Florida.

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MM T-11 Dun and Bradstreet	8/17/64	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-14 [redacted] (Req.)	7/21/64	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-15 [redacted], PCI	8/17/64	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois
1 - United States Attorney, Miami, Florida
(Attention: Mr [redacted] Departmental Attorney)

Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: Miami, Florida
Date: September 11, 1964

Field Office File #: 92-1047 Bureau File #: 92-6410

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Sources report that DAVID YARAS departed Miami, Florida, area for Chicago in 7/64 and returned to Miami approximately 9/1/64. YARAS observed at Bay Shore Country Club, Miami Beach, 9/2/64. Information developed and set out concerning the Klene Linen Supply Co., Miami Beach. The linen supply portion of this company sold to Cascade Linen Supply, Miami, 3/64, for sum of $85,642.64. BEN HUSICK, alleged business partner and associate of YARAS interviewed and denied interest of YARAS in Klene Linen Supply.

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DETAILS

I. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Marital Status

MM T-14 advised on July 21, 1964, that it is her understanding that YARAS [redacted] fairly recently and that [redacted] It is noted that YARAS' wife of many years is named MARILYN PAT YARAS. However, this informant insists that YARAS' [redacted] only a little more than a year.

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Dependents

MM T-14 advised on July 21, 1964, that DAVID YARAS [redacted] YARAS' older son, RONALD J. YARAS. The names of [redacted].

Residence

MM T-14 and MM T-15 advised that YARAS currently resides at 4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Florida, [redacted]. In addition, YARAS' mother resides at this address and acts in the form of caretaker while YARAS is out of town. These informants relate that YARAS, as a rule, departs the Miami area during the early summer months and returns usually to Miami in September or October. YARAS generally travels to Chicago.

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MM T-14 states that as of early July, 1964, YARAS and his family departed Miami Beach and maintained a temporary residence either at the Park Sheraton or Sheridan Motel in Chicago, Illinois.

II. ASSOCIATES

BERNARD J. FRANK

It has previously been reported that one of the closest associates of DAVID YARAS in Miami Beach is Miami Beach Vice Mayor BERNARD J. FRANK. Vice Mayor FRANK was interviewed by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. and [redacted] on August 4, 1964, the results of which are as follows:

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Mr. BERNARD A. FRANK, Attorney at Law, Suite 240, 420 Lincoln Road Mall, Miami Beach, Florida, advised on August 4, 1964, that in addition to his profession as attorney at law, he is the Vice-Mayor of Miami Beach and was formerly a Judge of the Municipal Court of Miami Beach.

Mr. FRANK was asked if he was acquainted with DAVID YARAS and replied in the affirmative, and said that he was acquainted with YARAS only in a very slight manner in that he has seen and spoken to YARAS on occasion at the Bay Shore Country Club on Miami Beach.

Mr. FRANK advised that he knows of no positive information concerning YARAS except that he has "heard around" that YARAS is a "Chicago racketeer." Mr. FRANK said that he does not know, nor has he heard of any business connection which YARAS may have on Miami Beach, except that he learned that YARAS' son was connected with an automobile rental agency on 23rd Street in Miami Beach. Mr. FRANK denied that he had any connection whatsoever with YARAS other than a very slight social one. He stated that he has never represented YARAS in any business or other dealings in connection with his law practice.

Mr. FRANK was asked if he was acquainted with an associate of YARAS named [redacted] and advised that he was acquainted with [redacted] and that on several occasions he had played golf with [redacted] at the Rolling Hills Country Club and had also had lunch with him. Mr. FRANK advised that he is not aware of any business connection which [redacted] may have and has never spoken with [redacted] concerning his past or present occupation or profession.

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SAs RALPH R. HILL, JR. and

by [redacted]:bct/kr Date dictated 8/4/64

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With regards to the Johnina Hotel and the Dream Lounge located in that hotel on Miami Beach, Mr. FRANK stated that at one time he represented the owners of the Johnina Hotel; namely, VINCENT TERIACA and [redacted]. These two individuals, according to Mr. FRANK, were owners of the Dream Lounge and due to a new law, it was necessary for these people to purchase the hotel in order to maintain their liquor license. Mr. FRANK said that he no longer represents these two individuals.

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MICHAEL COPPOLA
4431 Alton Road
Miami Beach, Florida

It has been previously reported that COPPOLA is an associate of YARAS. On September 2, 1964, COPPOLA was observed in company with DAVID YARAS at the Bay Shore Golf Club card room at 12:15 P.M.

BENJAMIN HUSICK

It has been previously reported that HUSICK is YARAS' close associate and business partner in the Miami area.

Information relating to HUSICK and interview with him is reflected in the legitimate activities section of this report.

III. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Police records of the Miami Beach Police Department as checked on July 21, 1964, by SA HILL reflect the following additional information:

YARAS, under Miami Beach Police Department Number 18493, was arrested with BEN HUSICK, Miami Beach Police Department Number A 21487, on February 4, 1959, and charged with armed robbery at 727 De Lido Drive, Miami Beach, which offense occurred on February 3, 1959. HUSICK was arrested at his residence 945 West 48th Street, Miami Beach, and YARAS was arrested at the Bay Shore Golf Club, Miami Beach.

On April 29, 1959, a Justice of the Peace hearing was held before Judge MAL ENGLANDER. The complainants [redacted] and his wife [redacted] appeared with their attorney BEN COHEN, and stated that they did not wish to continue the prosecution of YARAS or HUSICK. Charges were thereupon dismissed.

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The records of the Miami Beach Police Department do not reflect an arrest of YARAS since February 4, 1959.

ARTHUR H. LEONARD, JR. (NA), Chief of Detectives, Miami Beach Police Department, advised SA HILL this date that he has not heard of any recent information regarding YARAS, that he believes YARAS is "retired" and has not seen him more than once or twice per year, those occasions being at the Bay Shore Country Club, Miami Beach. Chief LEONARD states that it is his belief that YARAS is a partner of LEONARD PATRICK in gambling in Chicago, but does not know of any activity on the part of YARAS in Miami Beach.

Regarding BEN HUSICK, Chief LEONARD states that he has learned that HUSICK recently underwent two heart attacks and has been more or less inactive lately. He said that, like YARAS, he knows of no activity on the part of HUSICK linking YARAS with him.

IV. LEGITIMATE ACTIVITIES

Miami Miller Highlife Distributing Company
5959 Northwest 35th Avenue, Miami, Florida

It has been previously reported of an allegation relating to a possible link between DAVID YARAS and this company through HOWARD PREUSS, Manager of the Miami Miller Highlife Distributing Company. The following information has been developed to date concerning this company:

Date August 5, 1964

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Mr. FRED DANA, General Manager, Miami Miller High Life Distributing Company, 5959 N. W. 35th Avenue, Miami Florida, advised that HOWARD PREUSS was the former Sales Manager with this firm and left this employment approximately six weeks ago. Mr. DANA said that PREUSS at one time held a stock block in the Miami Miller High Life Distributing Company and at the present time owns about three or four bars in Miami and Miami Beach.

Mr. DANA said that he is not well acquainted with Mr. PREUSS' activities while he was connected with this firm since he, Mr. DANA, only recently joined. Mr. DANA said, however, that he had learned that PREUSS was "well connected" on Miami Beach and liked to associate with "hoodlum-type individuals. Mr. DANA said that as far as he knows, Mr. PREUSS has no business dealings with the hoodlum-element on Miami Beach in connection with the distribution of Miller High Life Beer, however, Mr. DANA reiterated that he was not connected with this firm at the same time as Mr. PREUSS.

Mr. DANA advised that the present address, according to his records, of Mr. PREUSS is 6421 S. W. 63rd Terrace, Miami, Florida, telephone number MO 1-6439.

Mr. DANA advised that [redacted] of the Miami Miller High Life Distributing Company, however, she is scheduled to leave the firm some time in September, 1964.

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Date August 10, 1964

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Mrs. [redacted] Miami Miller High Life Distributing Company, 5959 Northwest 35th Avenue, Miami, Florida, was interviewed by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., who identified himself to her as a Special Agent of the FBI, and stated to her that she need not make any statement, concerning the facts of a negotiation between DAVID YARAS and HOWARD PREUSS.

Mrs. [redacted] stated that she vaguely recalls an instance several years ago, whereby HOWARD PREUSS borrowed $3,000.00 from her with which he intended to loan to DAVID YARAS. Mrs. [redacted] stated that she gave this $3,000.00 to PREUSS in the form of a check, which was repaid shortly thereafterby PREUSS. Mrs. [redacted] stated that she only understands that this money was ear marked for a loan to DAVID YARAS, however, she was not present when the alleged loan to YARAS was made. Mrs. [redacted] explained that PREUSS borrowed money from her on many occasions, and was the type of individual who, although affluent, was prone to spend more money then he actually had in his possession. She further described Mr. PREUSS as a type of individual who liked to be "connected" with shady-type individuals on Miami Beach, although Mr. PREUSS, himself, in her opinion, was a strictly legitimate individual.

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Mrs. [redacted] advised that she is acquainted with Mr. DAVID YARAS having met him several years ago at the Bay Shore Country Club, in Miami Beach. Mrs. [redacted] said that her acquaintanceship with YARAS is only on a very casual social basis, and has met both YARAS and his wife and son, RONALD.

Mrs. [redacted] advised that she is not acquainted with any facts relating to YARASs business ventures, associates, or any other activities, except to say in her opinion, YARAS is a "gentleman" and is very quiet, and believed by most people to be retired from business in Chicago.

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Tahiti Bar and Lounge,
244 23rd Street,
Miami Beach, Florida

It has been previously reported that YARAS and his wife held an interest in the above establishment during 1952-53.

MM T-11 reported the following information pertaining to the Tahiti Bar:

Tahiti Bar and Lounge, [redacted]; sales estimate at $25,000 per year plus, with three employees.

On March 15, 1963, [redacted] bookkeeper, declined current financial information.

The operation consists of bar and cocktail lounge with sales on a cash basis to local residents and tourists. It contains 24 tables and 18 stools.

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The present owner purchased the business on January 1, 1962, from [redacted] for an undisclosed consideration. This informant reports that a business originated during May, 1954, by [redacted] who sold the business in 1955.

[redacted] is a long-time resident of Miami Beach, Florida. He has been active in the restaurant and bar business all of his adult life.

Physical observation of the Tahiti Bar on August 17, 1964, reflected that the liquor license for this establishment is under the name of [redacted] Inquiry reflected that [redacted] was not on the premises and normally cannot be located before 11 P.M.

Klene Linen Supply Company,
1115 Fifth Street,
Miami Beach, Florida

MM T-11 furnished the following information relating to the Klene Linen Supply Company on August 5, 1964:

President is BEN HUSICK; [redacted] directors are the officers with one vacancy. b6 b7C

February 25, 1964, BEN HUSICK, President, declined financial statement. He said that the business is progressing, however, and that in 1963, bought and paid for $60,000 worth of merchandise. Outside sources estimate sales of $40,000 for this recently established business.

Outside sources offer the following partial estimates as to the current condition:

Accounts Receivable	$4 Figs
Supplies-Dep.	15,000
Fixt. and Equipment	8,000
Monthly rent	200

Fire insurance on merchandise unknown.

Outside investigation indicates that this company is operating under somewhat strained financial condition. Suppliers report receiving non-sufficient fund checks on occasion and January 3, 1964, a $204 tax lien was entered by the Florida Industrial Commission, case 206802. HUSICK reported that this has been paid and occurred simply because of an oversight. As this company is incorporated, it possibly is financed by extensive officer loans.

Regular checking account opened October, 1963, balances average low to moderate three figures. Unsecured low four figure loans have been extended jointly with an endorser, nothing currently outstanding.

Supplies towels, white linens and related items to businesses, mainly hotels, also dentists, doctors, factories and other commercial enterprises in the Miami Beach area. Sales are for cash. Operations moderately seasonal with best volume derived during winter tourist season December through April. Approximately five employees. LOCATION: Rents 25 x 40 feet of space in one story concrete building located on side street Southern district of this resort community. Premises orderly, situated in a moderate rental apartment and hotel district, near a commercial shopping area. No unusual fire hazards, five blocks from fire station, two blocks from hydrant.

Florida corporation chartered November 6, 1962, authorized capital stock 50 shares of common, no par value. $500 paid in to start.

BEN HUSICK, 52, married, born Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Declined specific antecedents on himself; however, states that he has been self-employed in the investment line for the past ten years. A local director shows that he was at one time associated with the Metro Mortgage Company, Miami Beach.

Date August 10, 1964

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Mrs. [redacted] for the Cascade Linen Supply Company, 545 Northwest 9th Street, Miami, Florida, advised that the Cascade Linen Supply Company is a nation wide corporation with main offices in New York City under the name of the General Linen Supply Company, New York. She advised that [redacted] of the Cascade Linen Supply Company in Miami.

Mrs. [redacted] stated that the Cascase Linen Supply Company bought out the linen supply business of the Klene Linen Supply Company, 1117 5th Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, on February 17, 1964. Mrs. [redacted] states that Mr. [redacted] has the full figures regarding the exact amount of payment given to the Klene Linen Supply Company, however, she recalled that the figure was somewhere in the neighborhood of $50,000.00.

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On one of the agreements made between Cascade and Klene at the time of the sale, was that the Klene Linen Supply Company and/or its representatives would not engage in the linen supply business for a specified period of time. Involved in the transaction, was the taking over of all the Klene Linen Supply Companies present accounts in the linen and towel supply end. Mrs. [redacted] states that all the negotiations were made between Cascade and the representative of Klene, a Mr. BENJAMIN HUSICK.

Mrs. [redacted] furnished a list of accounts which were turned over to Cascade from Klene, and that all of the below mentioned accounts have since been discontinued by the customer and have gone to other linen supply companies:

Potamkin Chevrolet, Miami Beach.
Life Bar, Miami Beach.
Karlin Drug Company, 900 71st Street, Miami Beach.
Blanche Salon de Coiffures, 6321 Biscayne, Miami.
Charburger, 343 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach.
Hughes Crazy Coffee, 2003 North Miami, Avenue, Miami.
Royal Tower Restaurant, 3527 Northwest 17th Avenue, Miami.
Joe's Market, 595 West 4th Street, Homestead.
Smitty's Coffee, 3215 Northeast 2nd Avenue, Miami.
Tiny's Bar, 2541 Northwest 54th Street, Miami.
Jimmy's Restaurant, 12485 Northeast 6th Court, Miami.
Park Bar, 2500 Palm Avenue, Hialeah.

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Boots and Saddle, 2400 Palm Avenue, Hialeah.
62nd Street Bar, 900 East 9th Street, Hialeah.
State Store Number One, 888 Southwest 57th Avenue, Miami.
Jefferson's State Store Number Two, 900 North Miami Boulevard, Miami.
State Liquor Store Number eleven, 8010 North Miami Avenue, Miami.
Dixie Land Liquors, 137 Northwest 14th Street, Miami.
State Liquor Store Number Six, 118 - 80 Northwest 7th Avenue, Miami.
Flamingo Liquor Store, East 9th and 10th Avenues, Hialeah.
Post Inn, 2900 Northwest 2nd Avenue, Miami.
Hideaway Bar, 1005 East 49th Street, Hialeah.
Harry's Liquors, 1005 East 49th Street, Hialeah.
State Liquor Store Number Four, 6205 Northwest 27th Avenue, Miami.

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Date August 10, 1964

[redacted] was interviewed on August 6, 1964, after having been advised that he need not make any statement to the FBI and that he had the right to contact counsel prior to making any statement.

Mr. [redacted] advised as follows:

He stated that [redacted] the Cascade Linen Supply Company, located at 545 Northwest 9th Street, Miami, Florida. The Cascade Linen Supply Company is a branch of a nation wide linen supply company with headquarters in New York City. The name of the New York linen supply company is the General Linen Supply, New York.

Mr. [redacted] said that in February, 1964, his company purchased the linen supply business from the Klene Linen Supply Company, 1117 5th Avenue, Miami Beach. He stated that all negotiations with Klene Linen Supply were made with one BENJAMIN HUSICK. In February, 1964, the negotiations were completed between Cascade and Klene for an agreed purchase price of approximately $70,000.00. No equipment was purchased in this transaction with the exception of linens which were in possession of Klene. The purchase price involved the taking over of Klene's Linen Supply customers in Miami, Miami Beach, and its environs. The price agreed upon was that which is normally transacted in the linen supply business of a ratio of "70 to 1". The 70 to 1 figure was interpreted by Mr. [redacted] to mean that for every dollar of business transacted per week, by Klene, the Cascade Company agreed to pay $70.00 for the purchase. HUSICK presented figures and accounts which reflected that his business brought in approximately $1,000.00 per week, and therefore, the $70,000.00 purchase price was agreed upon.

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Mr. [redacted] stated that HUSICK was also interested during this transaction of selling all of Klene, that is, the industrial uniform business which Klene was also engaged in. Mr. [redacted] stated that he knew that the industrial uniform service of Klene was not a "legitimate type" business, and that any purchase of this business by Cascade could only mean "swindle" of Cascade by BENJAMIN HUSICK. These recommendations were made by [redacted] to his superiors in New York City and these recommendations were followed by his superiors and as a result only the linen

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supply business of Klene was alternately purchased.

Mr. [redacted] admitted that a great many of the accounts of Klene which were purchased by Cascade had during the past year been taken from Cascade by the Klene Linen Supply, so that in effect they were merely purchasing back their own accounts. Mr. [redacted] stated that the Klene Linen Supply Company had been in business only a short time and it was understood by the linen supply industry in Miami that actually the Klene Linen Supply Company was only in business in order to "harass" the legitimate linen supply dealers to the point whereby they would be bought out within a very short time, which is what occurred. Mr. [redacted] stated that the Cascade Company approached the Klene Linen Supply Company for this transaction, and prior to this, HUSICK did not approach Cascade with the prospect of a sale.

With regard to the possibility of DAVID YARAS being involved in the operation of the Klene Linen Supply, Mr. [redacted] stated that his only information in this regard would be hearsay. Mr. [redacted] said that he had learned that YARAS was in the uniform supply business in Chicago, headed by two Greek individuals and the name of this company in Chicago is the A-1 Uniform Rental and Supply Company. Mr. [redacted] learned that there was a possibility of the fact that YARAS was probably the man behind the scenes in the operation of the Klene Linen Supply Company.

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With regard to possible "muscling" in tactics utilized by the Klene Linen Supply Company, Mr. [redacted] stated that he learned that HUSICK, in contacting his future accounts, used "implied" threats and "implied muscle". Mr. [redacted] said for example, that after the purchase of the Klene Linen Supply Company by Cascade, one of the Cascade salesmen made contact with some of Klene's industrial uniform stops in order to attempt to gain this business. The following day, [redacted] was contacted telephonically by HUSICK and was advised that the salesman who had contacted his account in Miami Beach, the day before would wind up getting severely beaten if he did not cease and desist contacting Klene Industrial Uniform accounts.

Further information pertaining to the use of force by HUSICK, according to [redacted] was the fact that during the negotiations for the purchase of Klene by Cascade, or shortly thereafter, a convention of linen supply dealers was held in Miami Beach at the Fontainebleau Hotel. [redacted] was contacted there by one [redacted] a representative of the Dania-Riverside Laundry. [redacted] according to [redacted] is an associate of YARAS and HUSICK. [redacted] told [redacted] that if he did not stop interfering with the sales

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transaction between Cascase and Klene, the possibility existed that he would "wind up in the river." Mr. [redacted] said that he ignored these implied threats, and thus far no bodily harm has come to him. b6 b7C

Mr. [redacted] stated that it would be necessary for him to contact his superiors in New York City prior to releasing the exact figures and amounts of the sales transactions between the Klene Linen Supply Company and the Cascade Linen Supply Company.

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[redacted] advised that if the above facts are needed for a hearing, trial or any other testimony, a subpoena duces tecum would be necessary for the production of such records.

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Date August 13, 1964

Mr. [redacted] of the Cascade Linen Supply Company, 545 NW 9th Street, Miami, Florida, advised that he had been instructed by Mr. BEN LEVINE, the attorney representing the Cascade Linen Supply Company in New York City, to furnish the complete list of accounts receivable held by the Klene Linen Supply Company of Miami Beach, which accounts were taken over by the Cascade Linen Supply Company upon completion of a sales transaction transferring these accounts in February, 1964. This list of accounts is as follows:

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Al's Lunch	1001 Fifth Street
Tods Bar	728 Collins Avenue
Samy's Restaurant	350 Lincoln Road
Charburger	343 Lincoln Road
Patricia Hotel - Coffee Shop	38 and Collins
Mr. Lucky	207 20 Street
Saxony Hotel B.P.	3201 Collins
Lum's #1	461 Arthur Godfrey Rd.
Hari Hair Stylists	553 - 41 Street
Central Hardware	545 41 Street
Shishkabob Rest.	534 41 Street
Bel Aire Bar	64 and Collins
Kurry's Bar	6734 Collins Ave.
Augustino Rest.	6970 Collins
Lum's #2	6974 Collins
North Shore B.S.	6970 Bay Drive
Louis August B.P.	907 Normandie Drive
Harbor Is. Spa B.P.	79th and Harbor Island
Beaux Arts Pool	8000 West Drive
Beaux Arts Coffee Sh.	8000 West Drive
Harbor House B.P.	102-95 Collins
Dunes Hotel B.P.	170-01 Collins

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Hollywood B.P.	Hollywood Hotel
Angelo's Restaurant	173-00 Collins Ave.
Liggett Rexall Lunch	170-11 Collins Ave.
Liggett Rexall Drug	170-11 Collins Ave.
Casa Maria	150 Sunny Isle Blvd.
Debs B.P.	863 Washington Ave.
Place Pigalle	215 22 Street
Cottage Inn Rest.	2235 Biscayne Blvd.
Smittys Coffee Shop	3215 N.E. 2nd Ave.
Miami Fish & Lobster	5711 N.W. 7th Avenue
Renner Donuts	9558 N.W. 7th Avenue
Jay-Jay Restaurant	102-47 N.W. 7th Ave.
International Flight Caterer	Airport
China City	1642 S.W. 8th Street
Exotic Beauty Salon	5010 N.W. 7th Avenue
Tiny Liquor	2541 N.W. 54 Street
State Liquor	6205 N.W. 27 Avenue
Club Royal	2340 N.W. 62 Street
Club Royal	2340 N.W. 62 Street (kitchen)
3 Pigs	2200 N.W. 62 Street
Tasty Bar-B-Que Bar	6211 N.W. 18 Avenue
Tinys Liquor	1690 N.W. 62 Street
Cotton Club	6901 N.W. 15 Avenue
All-Coin Amusements	2495 N.W. Terrace
Aldoro Lounge	7723 N.W. 27 Avenue
Jiggs	3150 N.W. 79 Street
Pats Market	13125 N.W. 27 Avenue
Bunch Park Cocktail Lounge	2210 W. Drive
Harlem Garden Cocktail Lounge	14495 N.W. 22 Avenue
Lum's #5	13690 N.W. 7 Avenue
Randys Restaurant	13420 N.W. 7th Avenue
Randys Bar & Lounge	13420 N.W. 7th Avenue
State Liquor St. #6	11880 N.W. 7 Avenue

The Place	83rd & Biscayne Blvd.
Lum's #10	530 N.E. 167 Street
Carls Bakery	1360 N.E. 163 Street
Silver Drug	16660 N.W. 27 Avenue (counter)
Silver Drug	16660 N.W. 27 Avenue (lunch)
Lorets B.P.	4606 N.W. 7th Avenue
Cotton Club Hotel	6901 N.W. 15 Street
Royal Restaurant	738 First Street
Lum's #12	2 Ocean Drive
Orange Bowl	460 Ocean Drive
Paramount Bake Shop	1407 Washington Ave.
Big Ohio Fruit	1429 Washington Ave.
Samy's Restaurant	350 Lincoln Road
Perry's Bakery	1451 Drexel Avenue
Harvey's	1676 Collins Avenue
Fruit Fair	1656 Collins Avenue
JoeTorres Lincoln Lane	1670 Meridian Avenue
Murry Lincoln Lane	723 Lincoln Lane
Danas	437 Lincoln Road
Louis & August B.P.	1020 Lincoln Road
Lum's #6	842 Lincoln Road
Milton Medical	1674 Meridian Avenue
Thrifty Market	515 Washington Avenue
Collins Fish Market	802 Sixth Street
Garden Bake Shop	816 Sixth Street
Dr. H. Weiss	1602 Washington Avenue
Dr. J. Burns	420 Lincoln Road
Dr. R. Schwartz	420 Lincoln Road
Gino Restaurant	1906 Collins Avenue
Minores B.S.	1908 Collins Avenue
Monkey Club	2000 Collins Avenue
Bucky's Bar	2027 Collins Avenue
Sports Center	2010 Collins Avenue
Place Pigalle	215 22nd Street
Tahiti Bar	244 Liberty Avenue
Sonny's Pizza	247 23rd Street
Neils Restaurant	1675 Alton Road
Lido Spa B.P.	45 Venetian Way

Venetian Isle Coffee Shop	20 Venetian Way
Bayshore Colf Rest.	23rd Street & Alton Road
Holiday Bake Shop	1040 Alton Road
Miami Srpings Pharm.	45 Curtis Parkway
Curtis Pharmacy	3964 Curtis Parkway
Angelos Airport	
Sandwich Shop	4309 N.W. 36 Street
Ohio Bar	6051 S.W. 8th Street
Al's Place	2443 S.W. 67th Avenue
Leo's Restaurant	6549 Bird Road
La Pena Restaurant	7400 Bird Road
Glorified Deli.	2133 Coral Way
Los Merengues Market	2000 S.W. 8th Street
La Plaza Supermarket	1380 S.W. 8th Street
Miami Barber College	115 W.Flagler Street
Harlem Square	1000 N.W. 2nd Street
Miami Barber College	195 N.W. 14th Street
Rose Beauty Shop	640 N.W. 27th Avenue
Brass Rail	827 S.W. 37th Avenue
Coliseum Barber	1521 S.W. 37th Avenue
Huddle House	3899 Bird Road
El Toreador Rest.	2475 S.W. 37th Avenue
John's Barber Shop	5722 Bird Road
Dairy Queen & Pizza	6711 Bird Road
Harlem Square	1000 N.W. 2nd Street
Potamkin Chevrolet	540 Alton Road
Y-Not Bar	900 Collins Avenue
Alfies	1664 Alton Road
Acme Music	1504 Alton Road
Alton Photo	1442 Alton Road
Mike's Meat Market	1416 Alton Road
Genes Barber Shop	1050 Alton
Brenners Rooming House	116 14th Street
12th Street Bar	228 12th Street

City Hall Lunch	1200 Washington Avenue
Cameo Lunch	1443 Washington Avenue
Greco	1448 Collins Avenue
Samy's Restaurant	350 Lincoln Road
Miami Beach Gym	237 Fifth Street
M & S Plumbing	608 Collins Avenue
Life Bar	461 Collins Avenue
A. & B. Package Store	1002 Fifth Street
Mels Barber	43rd and Collins Avenue
Mayflower Bar	1718 Alton Road
Club House Restaurant	2475 N.E. 163rd Street
Patrician Bar	36st and Collins
Jimmy's Restaurant	1308 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Cottage Inn Rest.	2235 Biscayne
Hughes Crazy Coffee Shop	2003 North Miami Avenue
Smitty's Coffee Shop	3215 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Miami Fish & Lobster	5711 N.W. 7th Avenue
Jay-Jay Restaurant	10247 N.W. 7th Avenue
Bush International	286 N.W. 29 Street
Spanish American	714 N.W. 22 Street
Kane Associates	1401 N.W. 21 Street
Royal Towers Rest.	3527 N.W. 17th Avenue
3 Pigs	2200 N.W. 62nd Street
Majorette Drive In	511 N.W. 79 Street
State Liquor #11	8010 North Miami
Haberson Photo	6800 Biscayne
Topical Inn	7005 Biscayne
The Place	83rd and Biscayne
Lum's	530 N.E. 167 Street
State Liquor #7	555 N.E. 167 Street
State Liquor #2	900 N. Miami Beach Blvd.
Carl's Bakery	1360 N.E. 163 Street
Hot Bagel	2015 N.E. 163 Street
Surplus Carpet	12905 W. Dixie Highway
Jimmy's Restaurant	12485 N.E. 6th Court
Lum's #7	16744 N.W. 27 Avenue

Silver Drug Pharm.	16660 N.W. 27 Avenue
Silver Drug Lunch Counter	16660 N.W. 27 Avenue
Sata Peta Bakery	62 N.E. 14th Street
Shishbakob	534 41 Street
Hari Hair Stylists	553 41 Street
Casa Maria Restaurant	150 Sunny Isle Blvd.
Seaview Market	169 Sunny Isle Blvd.
Liggett Rexall Drug)	17010 Collins
Liggett Rexall Drug)	17010 Collins
Liggett Rexall Lunch	17010 Collins
Angelo's Restaurant	17300 Collins
Hollywood Beach Hotel Beauty Salon	Hollywood Beach
Harbor House Beauty	10295 Collins
Agostino Rest.	6970 Collins
North Shore Bar	314 72nd Street
Dr. Stern	1137 71 Street
Harbor Spa B.P.	Harbor Isle 79 Street
Harbor Spa Barber	Harbor Isle 79 Street
Beaux Arts Motel Coffee Shop	8000 West Drive
Beaux Arts Motel Pool	8000 West Drive
Louis & August B.S.	907 Normandie
Larry's North Shore Barber	6972 Bay Drive
Johnina Hotel	6985 Collins
Johnina Hotel Dream Lounge	6985 Collins
Johnina Hotel Bar	6985 Collins
Kurby's Bar	6732 Collins
Saxony Hotel B.S.	3201 Collins
Chamber Lounge	30th and Collins
Mr. Lucky B.S.	207 20 Street
Debs B.S.	863 Washington
Albion Lounge	1650 James
Charburger	343 Lincoln Road

Samy's Restaurant	350 Lincoln Road
Miami Beach Drug	501 Washington
Al's Restaurant	1001 Fifth Street
Fontana Hotel	261 Collins
Charlene's Restaurant	7333 S.W. 8 Street
Huddle House	7610 S.W. 10 Street
Glorified Del.	2133 Coral Way
Los Meringues Market	2000 S.W. 8 Street
Dairy Queen & Pizza	6711 Bird Road
China City	1642 S.W. 8 Street
La Plaza Market	1380 S.W. 8 Street
Merlin Bar	742 N.W. Fifth Street
Harlem Square	1000 N.W. 2nd Avenue
International Flight Caterers	International Airport
State Store #1	888 S.W. 57 Avenue
La Pena Restaurant	7400 Bird Road
Miami Barber College	115 West Flagler
Miami Barber College	195 N.W. 14 Street
Paramount Bakery	1437 Washington
Samy's Restaurant	350 Lincoln
Harvey's Restaurant	1676 Collins
Joe Torres Lincoln Lane	1670 Meridian Avenue
Murray Lincoln Lane Barber	723 Lincoln
Louis & August B.S.	1020 Lincoln
Lum's	842 Lincoln
Thrifty Market	515 Washington
Collins Fish Market	802 Sixth Street
Carnival Fruit	732 Sixth Street
Garden Bake Shop	816 Sixth Street
Lum's	1437 Collins
Medical Arts Pharm.	1500 Washington
Medical Arts Lunch	1500 Washington
Gino's Restaurant	1906 Collins
Minores Barber	1908 Collins
Place Pigalle	215 22nd Street

Lum's	2302 Collins Avenue
Neil's Restaurant	1675 Alton Road
Lido Spa B.S.	45 Venetian Way
Venetian Isle Motel	20 Venetian Way
Bayshore Golf	23 Street and Alton
Joe's	520 Lakeview
Holiday Bake Shop	1040 Alton Road
International Flight Caterers	International Airport
La Pena Restaurant	7400 Bird Road
China City	1642 S.W. 8 Street
Radio Centro	313 West Flagler
Blatt & Mayer	Seybold Building
Columbia Export	132 East Flagler
McAllister B.S.	16 McAllister Arcade
Dade Optical	224 S.E. First Street
Pat's Bar	201 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Pan Amer. Jewelers	226 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Dr. Kann	1451 N. Bayshore Drive
Harlem Hideway	14 Street and Fifth Court
Little Harlem	1528 N.W. 4 Avenue
Ritz Bar	14 Terrace and N.W. 3 Ave.
Dixieland Liquor	137 N.W. 14 Street
Big 3 Market	365 N.W. 11 Street
Wonder Bar	1300 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Jack's Bar	1361 N.E. 2nd Avenue
Bank Tavern Bar	12101 N.W. 17 Avenue
Claude Southern Bar	3950 N.W. 31 Avenue
Dixie Pig BBQ	3350 N.W. 54 Street
Flamingo Liquor	East 9th & 10th Avenue
62nd Street Bar	900 East 9th Street
Seminole Bar	73 Hialeah Drive
Kings Packages	2095 West 4th Avenue
Boots & Saddles	2400 Palm
Park Bar	2500 Palm
Post Inn	2900 West 2 Avenue
Lum's #7	681 West 49 Street
Harmony Liquor	1005 East 49 Street
Hideway Bar	1005 East 49 Street
Tinys 22nd Bar	9125 N.W. 22 Avenue
Cotton Club Hotel	6901 N.W. 15 Avenue

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Date August 13, 1964

Mr. [redacted] Miami, Florida, telephone number [redacted] was interviewed by SAS RALPH R. HILL and FRANK J. SMITH in the offices of the Cascade Linen Supply Company, 545 NW 9th Street, Miami, Florida. Mr. [redacted] was advised that he need not make a statement to the interviewing agents prior to consultation with an attorney. Mr. [redacted] stated that he understands this and furnished the following information:

He worked for the Miami Laundry Company for approximately seven years prior to becoming employed with the Klene Linen Supply Company in Miami Beach, Florida. Mr. [redacted] said that he went with the Klene Linen Supply Company sometime during the latter part of 1963, after having been told by Mr. BENJAMIN HUSICK that he, HUSICK, would pay [redacted] in addition to his salary and other concessions which would prove his new position at Klene to be highly advantageous to him. After going with KLENE, Mr. [redacted] advised that he and HUSICK were [redacted] handling new accounts for the Klene Linen Supply Company. Mr. [redacted] said that in effect, HUSICK opened the majority of the new accounts, which were represented by men of his, HUSICK's, friends of Miami Beach.

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During the transaction involving the sale of the Klene Linen Supply Accounts to the Cascade Company, HUSICK promised [redacted] $5,000.00, which represented his [redacted] since going with the Klene Company. HUSICK has not carried out these promises, and to date, MR. [redacted] has not received any money of the $5,000.00 promised him by HUSICK, with the result that he has filed a law suit in Dade County court in an attempt to receive his $5,000.00. This litigation has not yet come up for hearing, and HUSICK is represented in this matter by Miami attorney, [redacted]

8/7/64 Miami, Florida MM-92-1047
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SAS RALPH R. HILL & FRANK J. SMITH:mm
On _____ at _____ File # 8/11/64

by _____ Date dictated _____

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Mr. [redacted] stated that during his employment with the Klene Linen Supply Company, he had heard the name DAVE YARAS, however, he has not met this individual. Mr. [redacted] stated that he is not in possession of any information of a positive nature which would reflect the involvement, financially or otherwise, of DAVID YARAS with the Klene Linen Supply Company.

Mr. [redacted] stated that during his association with BENJAMIN HUSICK, which was strictly on a business level, he observed that HUSICK spent the greater part of his time opening new accounts and servicing current accounts of the Klene Linen Supply Company.

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Mr. [redacted] said that he was not aware of any "Muscling tactics" or other pressure utilized by HUSICK in the gaining of new accounts for the Klene Linen Supply Company, and said that HUSICK explained his phenomenal success of obtaining new accounts as "I know a lot of people."

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BENJAMIN HUSICK, after having been satisfied as to the identity of the Agent as being with the FBI and advised that he need not make a statement, advised as follows:

He is the president and Manager of the Klene Industrial Uniform Company, 1117 5th Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

Prior to March, 1964, his company was known as the Klene Linen Supply Company, however, this part of the business was sold in March to the Cascade Linen Supply Company. Part of the sales transaction was a Covenant agreement precluding him from engaging in the linen supply business for a specified length of time. If this Covenant is broken, that amount of money specified in the contract will not be paid by the purchaser.

Mr. HUSICK stated that although he is acquainted with DAVID YARAS and considers him as a friend, he, YARAS, is not connected with his Industrial Uniform Supply business in any manner. Mr. HUSICK stated that YARAS, while in Miami, is "retired" and spends the majority of his time at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, playing golf.

Mr. HUSICK advised that his only source of income at the present time is that which is derived from his Industrial Uniform business.

Mr. HUSICK added that he cared only to discuss the linen supply business with the interviewing Agent and would not discuss his personal dealings nor his knowledge of the affairs of DAVID YARAS.

On 8/17/64 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 92-1047

by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.:ggr Date dictated 8/17/64

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Venetian Isle Motel
20 Venetian Way
Miami Beach, Florida

It has been previously reported that YARAS has a possible interest in the above-named establishment. MM T-11 on August 17, 1964, furnished the following information relating to the Venetian Isle Motel:

This motel does business under the name of Twenty Venetian Way, Incorporated, 407 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach. [redacted]

October 9, 1963, [redacted] stated that he could answer questions about the Twenty Venetian Way, Inc. Apparently deciding not to, he declined all information when asked for same. When asked if he was [redacted] in the corporation, he would not comment. One reliable outside source reported that [redacted] in the corporation. b6 b7C

[redacted] of this corporation. He was a professional hotel manager who had been with the motel for about one year. In May, 1963, he was removed.

March 28, 1963, suit for $237 was entered against [redacted] doing business as Venetian Isle Motel, plaintiff being American Chemical Corporation, Case 108570, Small Claims Court.

Condition of this corporation is unclear. Trade information has not been favorable, and it appears that there has been some working capital strain involved. Little is known about the corporate officers, some not having been identified.

Banking affiliations declined.

Operates the Venetian Isle Motel, a 100 room motel owned by the Liberty Real Estate Trust, Sarasota, Florida. Restaurant and cocktail lounge leased to others. Employees vary according to needs. LOCATION: Leases this multi-story concrete block and steel building located in moderate rental area of Miami Beach. Fire station within one mile, hydrant within two blocks.

Florida corporation chartered October 25, 1961, authorized capital 50 shares of common stock, no par value. Began with $500. [redacted] of Miami Beach), [redacted] and [redacted] all of Miami Beach. There is no information available which would confirm that [redacted] in the subject corporation but on the other hand, there is no information necessarily to the contrary. [redacted] has been definitely connected with the operation.

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During January, 1962, the Venetian Isle Motel was sold to Liberty Real Estate Trust of Sarasota, Florida, in exchange for shares in Liberty Trust valued at $617,943. Twenty Venetian Way, Inc. is operating the motel on a sale lease-back arrangement. [redacted] is a local attorney who maintains offices at [redacted] Miami Beach, Florida. No other available information on this individual.

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Date September 2, 1964

Mr. [redacted] Venetian Isle Motel, 20 Venetian Way, Miami Beach, Florida, advised that the Venetian Isle Motel is at this time [redacted], Long Island, New York. The previous owner and operator was the Real Estate Management, Inc., contractual manager for Liberty Real Estate Trust, 1572 State Street, Sarasota, Florida. [redacted] Prior to this, the original builders and owner of the Venetian Isle Motel was Kramer and Gordon Realtors. This motel was constructed about nine years ago.

Mr. [redacted] states that to his knowledge, DAVID YARAS is not connected with the motel in any manner, unless he is a silent partner, of which he, Mr. [redacted] would not be privy. Mr. [redacted] stated that he knows and has met DAVID YARAS, during the winter season of 1964, when RONALD J. YARAS, the elder son of DAVID YARAS, was a registered guest at the Venetian Isle Motel from February 29, 1964, through June 6, 1964. During this period, according to Mr. [redacted], DAVID YARAS was a constant visitor to the motel, having meetings with his son, RONALD, and was observed meeting with other unknown individuals in the motel restaurant and in the motel card room.

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Mr. [redacted] advised that he is not acquainted with the facts surrounding DAVID YARAS' business or financial connections, except for the following:

RONALD YARAS, through his father, DAVID YARAS, made arrangements for a party of persons connected with the Group Engineers Associates, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, which group was a guest of the motel during the winter season of 1963-1964. RONALD YARAS intimated that this was his father's firm. This group departed the motel owing a balance of $179.03, which to date has not been paid. As a result of attempts to collect this debt, a

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On 8/25/64 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 92-1047

by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. : fl Date dictated 8/26/64

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letter was submitted to Mr. [redacted] with the letterhead of the Group Engineers Associates, Inc., 767 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago. The letter was signed by SHELDON V. NATHANSON, Executive Vice President, and stated that the reason the account had not been paid was by virtue of the fact that this firm had been engaged in Government contracts, and money from these contracts was due them from the Government. The nature of these contracts, according to the letter, was for "defense". The letter directed that correspondence should be directed in care of [redacted], Hillside, Illinois.

Mr. [redacted] said that regarding this company, he had been told by RONALD YARAS that the major portion of business consisted of supplying highly skilled and technical "special personnel" for the U. S. Government upon request and need for such personnel.

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Mr. [redacted] exhibited registration cards for R. YARAS as a guest of the Venetian Isle Motel, as follows:

March 26, 1962 through June 6, 1962. R. YARAS, 8042 Knox Street, Skokie, Illinois.

February 29, 1964 through June 6, 1964, registration card number 23186, R. YARAS and wife, address, 2952 West Fargo, Chicago, Illinois. This couple occupied room number 107. The total amount of the bill for this period, which was paid, was $1,870.12. [redacted] of RONALD, received a female visitor during this period, who stayed for several days. Mr. [redacted] could not recall her name.

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Date September 2, 1964

Miss [redacted] Desk Clerk and Bookkeeper for the Venetian Isle Motel, 20 Venetian Way, Miami Beach, Florida, advised that a check of the records of this motel for the period of February 29, 1964, through June 6, 1964, reflect the following calls made from room 107 under the name of YARAS for this period:

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March 11, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
March 12, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
March 11, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
March 13, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
March 22, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
April 2, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
April 5, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
April 6, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
April 7, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.
April 27, 1964 -	[redacted]	Chicago, Illinois.

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V. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

MM T-15 advised on August 17, 1964, that DAVID YARAS of 4410 Adams, is a member of the Municipal Golf Course of Miami Beach and paid his $150 membership on October 14, 1963, under permit Number 253. This permit extends only to YARAS and not to his wife and/or children.

These privileges extend to the Bay Shore Club, the Normandy Shores Club, and the Par 3 Club, all in Miami Beach.

MM T-15 stated that YARAS, when in the Miami area, generally visits either the Bay Shore Club or the Normandy Shores Club on a daily basis; however, he spends most of his time at the Bay Shore Club.

MM T-15 said that YARAS left Miami for the Chicago area sometime in early July, 1964, and as of August 17, 1964, has not yet returned to the Miami area.

MM T-15 advised on September 2, 1964, that YARAS returned to Miami Beach, on either September 1 or August 31, 1964, and that as of September 2, 1964, was in the cardroom of the Bay Shore Golf Club.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida

SEP 11 1964

Title DAVID YARAS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Reference is made to report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 10-2-64

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-693) RUC

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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OO: MIAMI

Re Chicago letter to Springfield dated 8/31/64 copy of which is enclosed for Miami.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES H. GEER.

Mr. [redacted], Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 9/23/64 that his file revealed no automobile registered to YARAS in the state of Illinois. b6 b7C

Mr. [redacted], Supervisor, Drivers License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 9/30/64 that drivers license #Y620-1601-2317 was issued to DAVE YARAS, 8042 Knox Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on 4/1/63. YARAS took the drivers examination on that date and it is noted that he stated at that time that he had lost his current Florida drivers license. When this license was mailed to YARAS at 8042 Knox Avenue, Chicago, it was returned to the drivers license section by the post office for wrong address. On 5/9/63 DAVE YARAS applied for a duplicate license listing his address at that time as 1217 Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

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SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 10/9/64

SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-1303)(P)

DAVID YARAS, aka
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Re Miami reports of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. dated 7/28/64 and 9/11/64; Los Angeles airtel to Las Vegas dated 8/11/64 and New York letter to Miami dated 9/25/64.

Enclosed herewith for the Miami Office are nine copies of inserts pages. Also enclosed for Miami are copies of the following reports which contain all the information available to the Los Angeles Office regarding Amco Industries and Capitol Vending. These reports are as follows:

Report of SA ROY W. REGER dated 5/8/63, at Phoenix.

Report of SA EUGENE I. SATHER dated 7/29/63, at Chicago.

Report of SA EUGENE I. SATHER dated 10/18/63, at Chicago.

Report of SA EUGENE I. SATHER dated 1/6/64, at Chicago.

Report of SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR. dated 2/25/64, at Los Angeles.

Report of SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR. dated 5/26/64, at Los Angeles.

Report of SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR. dated 9/22/64, at Los Angeles.

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The identity of the informant for the "T" symbol listed in the insert page concerning Oxy-Aid, is [redacted]

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[redacted] Clerk, Security Department, Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois. b6 b7C b7D

The informant set out in the "T" symbol regarding Telephone No. [redacted] is [redacted], an employee of the Pacific Telephone Company, Los Angeles, California, who furnished the information to SE [redacted] on 6/5/64.

For the information of the Miami Office, the only business dealings that this Office is aware of between HAROLD MELTZER and RONALD J. and LEONARD YARAS is the Capitol Vending Company, 1122 South La Cienega. Information concerning this will be found in the enclosed reports.

For the information of the Miami Office, MILTON ZUCKER MENDE is currently under investigation (Los Angeles Office of Origin) in a case involving ITSP. He was interviewed by Agents of the Los Angeles Office during July, 1964, at which time he refused to answer any questions without his attorney being present. The U. S. Attorney's Office in Los Angeles has indicated a desire to prosecute MENDE and others for violation of the ITSP statutes. The Los Angeles Office, in view of this, will not interview MENDE until the present ITSP investigation has been completed and adjudicated.

For the information of the Miami Office, Beverly Hills Telephone No. [redacted] has also come up in the investigation of MAX NETTLER, ITWI, OO: Chicago. The Los Angeles file on NETTLER reveals that Miami is in possession of all reports submitted by the Chicago Office in this matter. NETTLER is apparently suspected by the Chicago Office as being an "odds maker" and "layoff man" in the Chicago area and also apparently operates a card room alleged to be under the control of LEONARD PATRICK. b6 b7C

The Los Angeles Office contemplates an interview with ALBERT ROSE and also will report the results of the interview with [redacted] RONALD YARAS. b6 b7C

With regard to the alleged employment of RONALD YARAS at Mercury Records in Los Angeles, contact was made

on 10/2/64, with the only office listed in the Los Angeles telephone directory for Mercury Records.

At this time, Mr. JACK TRACY, Director of the Advertising and Research Section of Mercury Records, 1800 Argyle, advised SA [redacted] that he has been in charge of this office for the past two years. He said there was a major change over of personnel approximately two years ago. He said that he is not acquainted with a RONALD YARAS or with anyone else by the name of YARAS. He pointed out that there are several other offices for Mercury Records in Los Angeles, which include promotion, sales, and a manufacturing plant, but he said that all personnel records were maintained at the head office for Mercury Records in Chicago, Illinois. He suggested that contact be made with [redacted] Mercury Records, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, who would be in a position to furnish employment information for anyone previously employed in the Los Angeles area.

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The Chicago Office is requested to refer to the report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. dated 7/28/64, and contact [redacted] regarding information that RONALD YARAS had been employed by Mercury Records in Los Angeles in 1959 and this employment had been obtained through DAVE YARAS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago (92-1297) DATE: 10/26/64

FROM : SAC, Miami (92-1047)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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Rerep SA RALPH R. HILL, dated 9/11/64, at Miami.

Chicago requested to furnish Miami with results of investigation to date reflecting any current activities of YARAS. This information is important to implement investigation of YARAS in Miami.

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SAC, Chicago (92-1684)(P)

DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO:Miami 92-1047)

The captioned subject, considered a major hoodlum in the Chicago and Miami Divisions, reportedly maintains residence in both Chicago and Miami, and has numerous business interests in Chicago and the Chicago area.

YARAS is described as WMA, birth 11/7/12, Chicago, Illinois, height 5'9", weight 175-190, hair black, residence 4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Florida, wife MARILYN YARAS, sons RONALD J. and LEONARD YARAS.

Indianapolis is requested to check their indices for any reference to YARAS and his activities in that division.

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Information concerning:

David YARAS

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

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- [x] during course of Bureau investigation
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- [ ] from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

Comdr. [redacted] 20th Dist., Cg. P.D.

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Remarks:

Re YARAS' travel to Cg. from Miami and possible residence in Lake Shore motels.

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1297)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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A-1 Indent Unit, Rentfaly 1217 N. Oakley

Information was received on 11/5/64 that RONALD YARAS, son of the subject, and DAVID YARAS, were in telephonic contact on that date with LENNIE YARAS at Chicago telephone number AR 6-2373. It was ascertained that LENNIE was to send "some pieces" to RONNIE via special delivery to RONNIE at the Golden Nugget Motel, Miami Beach.

Chicago requested to ascertain listing of above telephone number.

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AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

Re Miami airtel to Chicago dated 11/10/64.

A public information service operated by Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA THOMAS B. LANDESS on 11/16/64 that Chicago telephone number AR 6-2373 is listed to Al Industrial Uniform Rental, Inc., 1217 North Oakley, Chicago.

Information contained in the Chicago files reflect that Al Industrial Uniform Rental is allegedly a hoodlum dominated organization operated by NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS, considered members of the hoodlum element in Chicago. Additional information, if needed, is contained in Chicago file 92-1297 with regard to Al Industrial Uniform Rental.

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1297) 11/30/64

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NICK BRAVOS, aka;
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(OO: CHICAGO)

Former PCI [redacted] (protect) furnished the following information on the dates indicated: b6 b7C b7D

On 11/2/64, he advised that one of the individuals that he originally mentioned as having [redacted] the BRAVOS brothers has been [redacted] had previously advised in April, 1964, that certain persons allegedly [redacted] the BRAVOS brothers when they started operations in A-1 but these were only [redacted] when actually each of these individuals was [redacted] in the first place.) He also advised that two individuals formerly associated with A-1 who may have had some difficulty and quit are [redacted] and [redacted] is now at Morgan Linen.) b6 b7C b7D

On 11/13/64, he advised that one [redacted] from Maid-Rite Garment Company in Detroit had purchased two laundries on the south side of Chicago, one of which was the Chapman Laundry. He also stated that A-1 has taken over the linen service for the airports parking lots, one of which is located at 300 Wabash. b6 b7C

On 11/18/64, he advised that GEORGE BRAVOS, while soliciting business for A-1, [redacted] has been using in a recent instance, and it did not involve b7D

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1 - [redacted]
1 - 92-344 (ROBERTS)
1 - 92-373 (ANDERSON)
1 - 92-1684 (LANDESS)

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use of "muscle." [redacted] b7D

[redacted] He also advised that A-1 has now taken over the linen service at Dewey's Snack Shop in Melrose Park, Illinois, and the manager there told the former linen service that he had no choice but to change because the owner of the shop told him to change.

On 11/20/64, he furnished the following information:

[redacted] of the central plant on Elston Avenue of the Great Lakes Linen Company, is a cousin of TONY ACCARDO. Great Lakes Linen lost no stops to A-1 Laundry in the last two years. b6 b7C

[redacted] Little Joe's Restaurant which is located on Lawrence Avenue across from the Bankers Life Building, is related to GUS ALEX. [redacted] (PH) is showing lots of money lately and is trying to buy out [redacted] (PH) of Bankers Life with whom they [redacted] of Mullins Food Products Company, 4026 Lake Street. [redacted] (PH) also wants to buy the Wishing Well near 3800 Elston. [redacted] (PH), in his restaurant, Little Joe's, uses the service of Supreme Linen which, of course, belongs to GUS ALEX. b6 b7C

On 11/20/64, former PCI [redacted] (protect) advised that to his knowledge, the linen business in Chicago is somewhat controlled by GUS ALEX to this extent: Mungers Laundry is [redacted] of GUS; Supreme Laundry belongs to GUS ALEX; and A-1 is managed by NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS who are cousins of GUS ALEX. b6 b7C b7D

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MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27
5010-106

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: December 18, 1964

FROM : SA EUGENE I. SATHER

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ PCI ☐ PSI

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

11/2, 25; 12/4, 15/64

Titles and File #s on which contacted

GUS ALEX	92-373 (SA ANDERSON)
JOHN CERONE	92-1040 (SA ROBERTS)
DAVE YARAS	92-1684 (SA LANDESS)
CIP	92-466

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

INFORMATION SET OUT HEREIN SHOULD BE CAREFULLY PARAPHRASED IF USED IN A REPORT TO PROTECT THE INFORMANT.

See attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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JOHN CERONE
92-1040

According to the informant, JACKIE CERONE is behind Vencoa Vending in approximately the 5200 block on West North Avenue. Informant stated upon visiting the above location he has also run into the sons of DAVE YARAS.

GUS ALEX
92-373

Informant said he recalled approximately ten years ago that he walked into Fritzel's Restaurant and before he was recognized or observed at that location, [redacted] was talking to GUS ALEX and requesting ALEX to leave him alone. He said with that ALEX started walking away and told [redacted] that he, [redacted] is to stay where he is and take care of the business. b6 b7C

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Date: 12/16/64

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka.
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Miami informants have reported that YARAS left the Miami area about ten days ago, reportedly headed for Chicago.

Chicago, through logical sources, ascertain if YARAS is in your division and, if so, determine his activities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago (92-1684)

DATE: 12/22/64

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (92-710) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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OO: Miami

Re Chicago letter to Indianapolis 10/30/64.

Indices negative on YARAS in Indianapolis Division.

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1 - Miami (92-1047)
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SAC, Springfield 12/28/64

SAC, Chicago (92-1684)(P)

DAVID YARAS, aka., David Yarras,
David Yarris, Dave Yaras, Davey Yaras
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The captioned subject is an alleged hoodlum of the Chicago and Miami Divisions. It is reported that he has ownership interest in the Midwest Triumph Company, 7744 South Stony Island, Chicago, and Reliable Products, 3328 or 4046 West Roosevelt, Chicago.

Springfield is requested to examine the records of the Corporate Records Department, Secretary of States Office, Springfield, Illinois.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO

DATE: 1/11/65

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FROM : SA JOSEPH G. SHEA

☒ CI ☐ SI
☐ PCI ☐ PSI

SUBJECT:

Dates of Contact
12/24/64

Titles and File #s on which contacted

GUS ALEX	92-373
LOUIS ARGER	92-1039
MURRAY HUMPHREYS	92-348
LESLIE KRUSE	92-1037
EDWARD VOGEL	92-345
LEONARD PATRICK	92-374
CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM	92-466

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE See attached.

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Same

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DAVE YARAS,
LENNIE PATRICK

Informant stated that one JULIUS LUFMAN, aka Yudi, or Judy, described as white male, age 46 - 47 years, short, stocky build, weight 190 lbs., who is a close friend of [redacted] the delicatessen located at Western and Devon Streets, Chicago, is a lieutenant of LENNIE PATRICK and DAVE YARAS, operating the rackets for them on the northwest side of Chicago, particularly the west Rogers Park area. LUFMAN is in over-all charge of "juice", gambling and bookmaking in these areas. LUFMAN resides at 4839 North Kimball Avenue, Albany Park, Chicago. The informant stated [redacted] at the above delicatessen.

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The informant further added regarding LENNIE PATRICK that PATRICK and his brother, MIKE PATRICK, generally have breakfast each morning at about 9:30 a.m. at Ruddy's Delicatessen located on Peterson Avenue about one mile east of Cicero, Illinois.

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TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
DAVID YARAS, aka.	RALPH R. HILL, JR.	jgm
	CHARACTER OF CASE	
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- REFERENCES -

Report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated 9/11/64, at Miami.

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TO THE BUREAU AND CHICAGO:

Two copies of a letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in this report.

- LEADS -

Information copies are being submitted to Los Angeles and Chicago in view of investigation being conducted in those divisions.

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NOTATIONS

MM 92-1047

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to follow and report on the activities of the subject.

- INFORMANTS -

Identity	Date of Contact	Contacting Agent
MM T-15 PCI [redacted]	9/8/64	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-16 [redacted] (requested), Chase Federal Savings and Loan, Miami Beach	11/19/64	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-17 [redacted]		
MM T-18 PCI [redacted]	9/10/64	
MM T-19 [redacted]	12/17/64	SA [redacted]
MM T-20 Dun & Bradstreet, Chicago, Illinois		
MM T-21 PCI [redacted]		
MM T-22 Dun & Bradstreet, Los Angeles, California		
MM T-23 PCI [redacted]		

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Miami (Attention: [redacted] Departmental Attorney) b6 b7C
1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR.
Office: Miami, Florida
Date: January 21, 1965
Field Office File No.: 92-1047
Bureau File No.: 92-7599

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Miami informants report YARAS to be a leading representative in Miami of the organized criminal element of Chicago. Information set forth pertaining to Amco, Gellman Mfg. Company, Midwest Triumph, and Capital Vending, all of which are inter-related and alleged interests of YARAS. YARAS continues to spend time while in Miami area at Bayshore Municipal Golf Course clubhouse, Miami Beach. He has been observed there with MICHAEL COPPOLA. Information regarding other legitimate enterprises allegedly controlled by YARAS set forth herein.

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MK 92-1047

DETAILS:

I PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Relatives

It has been previously reported that [redacted] RONALD J. YARAS, son of the subject. b6 b7C

The following information relates to [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date 11/30/64

ALBERT ROSE, 1275 North Harper, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his employment, Reliable Liquor, 1554 West 6th Street, Los Angeles.

ALBERT ROSE advised that he is the [redacted] RONALD YARAS [redacted] and RONALD YARAS was about the same age. ROSE first met RONALD in 1954, shortly after [redacted] RONALD [redacted] in Los Angeles, California. Mr. ROSE had been the manager of the liquor department at the Whelan Drug Store at 562 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, California, and this store was going out of business.

He said that it was at this time that he met both DAVID and MARILYN YARAS, the parents of RONALD YARAS, in Los Angeles. Both DAVID and MARILYN YARAS desired to set their son up in a business and suggested that ROSE become the partner of MARILYN YARAS in the liquor store at 562 South Hill Street, Los Angeles. MARILYN YARAS became a partner of record with ROSE in this business and invested $14,000 in cash in the business. ROSE stated that this investment on the part of MARILYN YARAS was in behalf of her son, RONALD. RONALD YARAS worked at the liquor store for approximately a month and did not like the business or the Los Angeles area and decided to move back to Florida, which he did, along with [redacted]. ROSE said he kept the liquor store going by himself and attempted to repay the money to MARILYN YARAS.

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Mr. ROSE said that when he took SAM RITZER in as a partner in this business, the money he received from RITZER was sent to MARILYN YARAS to pay off the balance of the loan. He believed the figure was about $12,000, but felt that SAM RITZER might have the copy of this check. He believed the check was made out directly to MARILYN YARAS.

On 11/20/64 at Los Angeles, California File # Miami 92-1047 Los Angeles 92-1303

by SA [redacted] /mjk Date dictated 11/25/64

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Mr. ROSE advised that prior to RONALD YARAS' becoming interested in the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store at 562 South Hill Street, he had worked for a very short time at Mercury Records in Hollywood and for a week or two at the Reddi Whip Company in Los Angeles. He said neither of these jobs lasted for more than two weeks.

Mr. ROSE advised that when the papers for the partnership between him and MARILYN YARAS were signed, MARILYN YARAS was in Los Angeles. He said when the papers dissolving the partnership were signed, he sent them to Miami for her signature.

He stated that he met DAVID YARAS on only one occasion in Los Angeles and that was in 1954, at the time they were setting up the partnership in the liquor store.

Mr. ROSE supplied the telephone number for [redacted] in Los Angeles as [redacted] He said that [redacted] RONALD YARAS. b6 b7C

Mr. ROSE was not certain as to whether or not he kept any of the papers referring to his partnership with MARILYN YARAS in the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store.

Residence

On November 19, 1964, MM T-16 advised that MARILYN and DAVID YARAS, 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida, were granted a first mortgage by the Chase Federal Savings and Loan Association, Miami Beach, on a residence located at 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida. Said mortgage was granted on October 5, 1951, in the amount of $15,000.00. This mortgage was satisfied by DAVID YARAS on November 18, 1964, with a final payment of $1,640.80. Informant advised that he did not know whether or not this payment was made by cash or check.

Savings Account

MM T-16 advised on November 19, 1964, that there are three savings accounts located in the Chase Federal Savings and Loan Association of Miami Beach in the name of [redacted] trustee MARILYN YARAS, account #[redacted], with a balance of $789.44; [redacted] trustee, shown as MARILYN YARAS, account #[redacted], with a balance of $880.91. The other account is in the name of LENNY YARAS, 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida, account #2802-C with a present balance of $168.74. The latter account was opened on April 10, 1960 and the two former accounts were opened in January, 1962.

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Automobiles

On September 10, 1964, DAVID YARAS was observed by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. driving a 1962 Pontiac Bonneville, 2-door, color white, bearing 1964 Florida license 160756.

On December 21, 1964, SA HILL observed a 1965 midnight blue Oldsmobile sedan parked in the driveway of the residence of DAVID YARAS, 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida. This auto carried 1964 Florida license 1W-51435. Records of the Dade County License Bureau, as checked on December 21, 1964, revealed that this vehicle is registered to DAVID YARAS, 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

II ASSOCIATES

BENJAMIN HUSICK,
FBI #628552
4565 Nautilus Court,
Miami Beach, Florida

It has been previously reported that BENJAMIN HUSICK and DAVID YARAS enjoy a close relationship both socially and business-wise.

MM T-15 advised on September 8, 1964, [redacted] BEN HUSICK [redacted] DAVE YARAS [redacted] Miami Beach, Florida. HUSICK, after [redacted] YARAS, departed at about 10:30 AM. YARAS remained and was observed being contacted by, among others, MICHAEL COPPOLA and [redacted]

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MICHAEL COPPOLA, 4431 Alton Road, Miami Beach, has been previously described as a former member of organized crime in the New York City area, who now resides in Miami Beach. He was described as an associate of YARAS.

JOE MASSEI
520 Lakeview Court
Miami Beach, Florida

MASSEI has been described as a former member of the hierarchy of organized crime in Detroit, Michigan, who now resides permanently in the Miami area and has been described further as an associate of DAVID YARAS.

MM T-17 advised on November 6, 1964, that he observed YARAS driving a 1962 white Pontiac bearing Florida license 1W-160786 at 212-23rd Street, Miami Beach, Florida, the location of the office of JOSEPH MASSEI.

VINCENT SOLANO
Chicago, Illinois

MM T-17 described VINCENT SOLANO as the chief lieutenant of ROSS PRIO who in turn was described by the informant as one of the leaders of the organized criminal element in Chicago, Illinois.

MM T-17 advised in November, 1964, that he had recently learned that certain members of the criminal element were looking for VINCENT SOLANO on or about November 15, 1964, and that it appeared that SOLANO was in some kind of difficulty. Informant stated that contact was made by the Chicago group with DAVID YARAS to "reach out" for SOLANO, however, YARAS reported back shortly that SOLANO, who YARAS was personally acquainted with, was not in the Miami area at that time.

III CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Gambling

It has been previously reported that one JOHN CANNATTA of Columbus, Ohio, represented a group of individuals who in the past had placed large bets on sporting events with Chicago bookmakers. It was reported that LEONARD PATRICK and DAVE YARAS had decided that CANNATTA should "lay off" all bets with the office of YARAS and PATRICK in Chicago.

On August 18, 1964, Captain [redacted] Vice Squad, Columbus, Ohio Police Department, advised SA [redacted] that JOHN CANNATTA has been a known horse book operator for years in Columbus. Captain [redacted] said that CANNATTA operates a legitimate business in fruit and vegetable produce in the market area of Columbus. Captain [redacted] said that although CANNATTA undoubtedly maintains out-of-town connections in his bookmaking business, he, [redacted] has no knowledge of DAVID YARAS or LEONARD PATRICK.

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On September 11, 1964, one MICHAEL DEANGELO advised SA [redacted] that JOHN CANNATTA has out-of-town connections for making lay-off bets, however, he was not acquainted with the name of LEONARD PATRICK or DAVID YARAS. DEANGELO said, however, that he had heard from reliable sources that CANNATTA had made lay-off bets with Chicago operators. b6 b7C

On September 10, 1964, MM T-18 advised that JOHN CANNATTA is known in Columbus, Ohio as "the celery king". Informant stated that CANNATTA has been known to handle lay-off bets for local bookmakers in Columbus and, further, that CANNATTA had made some lay-off bets with individuals in Chicago. Informant said, however, that he did not know the identity of the individual in Chicago with whom CANNATTA placed these lay-off bets. Informant stated that the names of DAVID YARAS and/or LEONARD PATRICK meant nothing to him and he had never heard of these individuals.

Miscellaneous Criminal Activity

MM T-17 advised on August 14, 1964, that he had learned that DAVID YARAS is the Chicago representative of the Miami area for the organized criminal element of Chicago. Informant continued that this distinction enjoyed by YARAS is not unique in Miami in that there are several different factions in the Miami area and no one person has control of illicit activity, that is to say, illicit organized activity in the greater Miami and South Florida area.

MM T-17 said that he had learned in October, 1964, that DAVID YARAS had been complaining that the FBI had been making inquiry concerning YARAS at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club in Miami Beach and that the FBI had been observed by YARAS conducting surveillances in and around the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club. YARAS advised the informant that he and his associates are beginning to feel and resent this pressure inasmuch as it is cutting into their business. Informant learned that by "business", at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course there is a considerable amount of bookmaking activity being conducted from this club, principally regarding gambling on sports.

MM T-19 advised on December 17, 1964, that he had recently learned that DAVID YARAS is considered as probably the most important representative of the Chicago organized criminal element in the Miami area. Informant states that YARAS conducts most of his activity while in Miami at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, Miami Beach.

V LEGITIMATE ACTIVITY

Oxy-Aid Distributors, Los Angeles, California

The following information was developed concerning this organization with which DAVID YARAS was allegedly connected:

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OXY-AID DISTRIBUTORS

The records of Dun & Bradstreet, Los Angeles, as reviewed by IC [redacted] on August 17, 1964, failed to reveal any information regarding this company.

The records of the Corporation Commission, State of California, were caused to be reviewed by SA [redacted] on October 2, 1964, without finding any record for the Oxy-Aid Distributors.

The Fictitious Name File for Los Angeles County was also caused to be checked on October 2, 1964, without finding any record for the Oxy-Aid Distributors.

Observation of the premises at 8687 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, revealed that this address was now occupied by a travel agency. The premises also contains several small offices which would have the same address as 8687 Wilshire Boulevard.

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Mr. [redacted] The Blue Pencil, an advertising firm at 8687 Wilshire Boulevard, advised SA [redacted] on October 2, 1964, that he recalled the Oxy-Aid Distributors as a company that had occupied the office that now contains the travel agency, for several months in about 1957. Mr. [redacted] said that he had occasion to do some advertising work for this company which consisted of producing some photographs of a portable oxygen tank with a face mask that could be carried in the automobile of anyone who might have a heart condition, which might necessitate that they carry some type of portable oxygen equipment.

He stated that this company was operated by two individuals of Jewish extraction, one from Chicago and one from Los Angeles. He said these two individuals were constantly bickering about finances and on occasion, had discussed their problems with [redacted] said that it was his impression that the company was under-capitalized, but he felt it was a good idea, and he also felt that the Oxy-Aid Distributors might have become a going business if

they had capital of about $25,000. Mr. [redacted] said that the individual from Los Angeles had talked of mortgaging his home in an attempt to obtain capital, but apparently had not done so.

He believed the home office for the Oxy-Aid Distributors was located in Chicago, Illinois, but he did not know if it went by the name of Oxy-Aid in Chicago. Mr. [redacted] said that one morning no one came to open the doors of the Oxy-Aid and the individuals had apparently pulled out the evening before. Mr. [redacted] said that he did not know who owned the premises at 8687 Wilshire Boulevard at the time as the ownership has changed hands many times. Mr. [redacted] was unable to recall the names of either of the individuals who operated Oxy-Aid, nor did he have any records which would indicate their names. The names of YARAS and PATRICK were not familiar to him.

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On April 17, 1958, Mr. JULIAN BLODGETT, who at that time was Chief Investigator for the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, advised SA J. MARTELL BIRD that the Oxy-Aid Company, 8687 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, had been established during the recent months and was being [redacted]. BLODGETT said that the Oxy-Aid Company had its headquarters in Chicago, Illinois and they were in the process of establishing branch offices in various large cities throughout the U. S. BLODGETT said that his office had been able to determine that the Oxy-Aid Company in Los Angeles had several telephones, one of which was a direct line to the home office of Oxy-Aid in Chicago, Illinois.

BLODGETT was of the opinion that the Oxy-Aid in Los Angeles was a front for a sports book, probably primarily concerned with gambling on baseball games. BLODGETT said that the offices throughout the U. S. were being established by DAVY ARIS and LENNIE PATRICK, both of whom had long criminal records in Chicago, Illinois. BLODGETT said that from information that his office had developed, all of the Oxy-Aid companies will have direct line connections to the Chicago home office.

The Chicago Office advised on October 9, 1958, that, according to Dun & Bradstreet, Chicago, the Oxy-Aid Distributors, Inc., 5920 North Park Street, Chicago, Illinois, was incorporated under Illinois laws on September 20, 1957, with an authorized capital consisting of 500 shares at $50. The paid-in capital was listed as $9,000 from the savings of the principals. The principals were [redacted] This firm retailed portable oxygen units to individuals on a cash basis and was the Illinois distributor for the Emergency Medical Oxygen Company, Chicago, Illinois.

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NM T-20 advised on August 22, 1957, that the Oxy-Aid Distributors had telephone Nos. LO 1-3260 and LO 1-3261. According to this source, this firm did not have a direct line to other cities. [redacted], Skokie, Illinois, Telephone No. [redacted]

Dun & Bradstreet, Chicago, advised that the Emergency Medical Oxygen Company, 2822 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was started as a partnership of one BEN GOLDMAN and SAM SIEGAL in 1957. On January 1, 1958, the partnership was succeeded by the aforementioned corporation with an authorized and paid-in capital report to be $25,000. According to this source, the officers are as follows: BEN GOLDMAN, President; SAM SIEGAL, Vice President; HARRIS TURNER, Secretary and Treasurer. These records described GOLDMAN as native born, 48 years of age and married. From 1945 to 1954, he was President of Weathermaster, Incorporated, at 4424 North Clark Street. From 1944 to 1957, he was reported variously employed locally. SIEGAL was described as native born, 56 years of age and married. He was described as being active in the firm on only a part-time basis. TURNER was described as a partner in Turner-Letusch Company for the past 20 years and not active in the Emergency Medical Oxygen, Incorporated. The operation of the firm was described as the manufacture of oxygen kits with sales throughout continental United States.

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Mrs. [redacted] Secretary, State Realty Company, 5922 North Clark Street, Chicago, advised SA FRANK L. MELLOTT on September 8, 1958, that the Oxy-Aid Distributors occupied the premises at 5922 North Clark Street until about the last week of August, at which time they moved out and she and her husband occupied the premises with their new realty firm. Mrs. [redacted] said it was her belief the Oxy-Aid Company went out of business.

A call to Long Beach 1-3260, listed as the phone number of Oxy-Aid Distributors, elicited the information that this number is now located at a used car lot at 3049 West Peterson Avenue, and that [redacted] who is presently handling the affairs of the Oxy-Aid Distributing Company.

[redacted], Emergency Medical Oxygen Company, Incorporated, 2822 West Peterson Avenue, advised SA FRANK L. MELLOTT on September 23, 1958, that the Oxy-Aid Distributors, Incorporated, have been distributors for the State of Illinois of "Oxy-Aids", the portable emergency oxygen kits assembled and sold by Emergency Medical Oxygen Company, Incorporated, but that the Oxy-Aid Distributors no longer exist as a going concern except to dispose of remaining stock. According to [redacted] and [redacted] the Oxy-Aid Distributors. Mr. [redacted] expressed the view that [redacted] was not actively connected with the company, but may have been the attorney who handled the incorporation papers, as it is a fairly common practice to list such an attorney as one of the corporation's officers. Mr. [redacted] said he had no knowledge of a [redacted] being connected with Oxy-Aid Distributors.

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Mr. [redacted] advised that the Emergency Medical Oxygen Company, a partnership, was formed on January 1, 1957, by BEN GOLDMAN and SAM SIEGAL and existed as a partnership until January 1, 1958, at which time it was incorporated, with SIEGAL dropping out of the business and BEN GOLDMAN becoming President and HARRIS TURNER becoming Treasurer and Secretary. On September 15, 1958, HARRIS TURNER died. On September 20, 1958, an election of new

officers took place with BEN GOLDMAN retaining his position of President, MEYER PATRICK becoming Secretary and [redacted]. Mr. [redacted] said it was his understanding that MEYER PATRICK, a brother of LENNIE PATRICK bought a half interest in the business, while [redacted] has no financial interest in the concern, but is an auditor and takes care of the firm's books.

In connection with an investigation of LEONARD PATRICK, with aliases, the information has been developed that HARRIS TURNER has been the accountant handling most of LEONARD PATRICK's financial accounts. Mr. [redacted] according to Mr. [redacted] is with the same accounting firm with which HARRIS TURNER was associated.

Mr. [redacted] said he knows LENNIE PATRICK and DAVE YARAS, as he used to place bets in a bookmaking establishment they used to operate about 15 years ago, but that he has no knowledge of either of these individuals being connected in any way with either Oxy-Aid Distributors or Emergency Medical Oxygen, Incorporated. b6 b7C

According to Mr. [redacted] one [redacted] and [redacted] BEN GOLDMAN, became franchised holders of Oxy-Aid for California and ten other western states in February, 1958, but [redacted] withdrew from the partnership about two months later. Mr. [redacted] said that nothing of an unfavorable nature is known regarding Mr. [redacted] or sub-distributors working under him, and that nothing is known regarding the identities or reputations of salesmen employed by [redacted].

According to [redacted] on June 19, 1958, the National Oxy-Aid Distributors, Incorporated, signed a contract with Emergency Medical Oxygen, Incorporated, to distribute, on an international basis, the Oxy-Aid product. This action, according to Mr. [redacted], means for all practical purposes that the franchises held by [redacted] and others were dissolved, for under the contract agreement all franchises were turned over to National Oxy-Aid Distributors, which can remove any

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distributor at any time. Mr. [redacted] said that the National Oxy-Aid Distributors, is comprised of Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS ZAHN, who also own and operate the Zahn Drug Company, 3250 West Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store, Los Angeles, California

It has been previously reported that DAVID YARAS, through his relatives, was the actual owner of this establishment. The following information has been developed regarding the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store:

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HILL STREET CIGAR AND
LIQUOR STORE
562 South Hill Street,
Los Angeles, California

The records of Dun & Bradstreet, Los Angeles, as reviewed by IC [redacted] on August 17, 1964, did not contain any record of the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store.

Observation by SA [redacted] of the 500 block on South Hill Street revealed that the address, which would have contained the number 562, was now a parking lot. b6 b7C

The Fictitious Name File for the County of Los Angeles was reviewed on October 2, 1964, by SA [redacted] and under No. F 211178 is a Certificate of Formation of a Limited Partnership under the Uniform Limited Partnership Act, which was filed on October 5, 1954, with the Los Angeles County Clerk. This limited partnership was to be called the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store and was to retail cigars, cigarettes, tobacco, etc., at 562 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, California.

These records revealed that the names and residences of the partners were as follows:

ALBERT ROSE - General Partner - 1038 South Westmoreland Avenue, Los Angeles

MARILYN YARAS - Limited Partner - 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida

These records revealed that MARILYN YARAS had invested "$5,000 in cash" as a limited partner. The agreement also revealed that the limited partner may make additional contributions to the capital of the partnership as may from time to time be agreed upon by the general partner. The agreement also revealed that because of the contribution by

the limited partner, that she would receive 50 percent of the net profit of the partnership.

These records revealed that this document was signed by ALBERT ROSE as the General Partner and MARILYN YARAS as the Limited Partner. The signature of MARILYN YARAS was notarized by a Notary Public in Miami, Florida.

According to this file, a certificate was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk, on February 15, 1957, which cancelled the Certificate of Limited Partnership of the Hill Street Cigar and Liquor Store mentioned above. The certificate stated that the partnership that had heretofore existed between ALBERT ROSE and MARILYN YARAS was dissolved by mutual consent.

The records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), State of California, 217 West 1st Street, Los Angeles, were reviewed by SA [redacted] on October 2, 1964. These records revealed that a license was first issued for a liquor store at 562 South Hill Street on May 20, 1936, when a license was issued to the United Cigar Store, Inc. The above company operated until the license was changed to the Whalen Drug Company on June 5, 1947.

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On July 20, 1954, the license was transferred to ALBERT ROSE and, on October 22, 1954, it was transferred to ALBERT ROSE and MARILYN YARAS. On February 13, 1957, it was transferred to a SAM RITZER and ALBERT ROSE, and on June 26, 1959, it was transferred in the names of [redacted] SAM RITZER. RITZER applied to transfer out of the license on September 14, 1960.

According to ABC, the file regarding MARILYN YARAS and ALBERT ROSE had been purged, as it is the practice of the ABC to purge their files five years after the file has been closed.

The records of the ABC do contain an application to transfer the license from MARILYN YARAS and ALBERT ROSE

to SAM RITZER and ALBERT ROSE. According to these records, RITZER bought into the business for $14,250, which, according to the file, represented the indebtedness of the former Limited Partner, MARILYN YARAS. RITZER borrowed $2500 from the Union Bank at 6th and Hill Streets, Los Angeles, and obtained the remainder of the money from property which had been left him by his parents on East 13th Street in New York City. RITZER paid $12,000 in cash and $2250 was to be paid at a later date.

At the time the license was transferred to [redacted] SAM RITZER, RITZER paid ALBERT ROSE $7250 for his interest.

According to these records, ALBERT ROSE was born in New York on January 22, 1905, and was the manager of the Whalen Drug Store at 562 South Hill Street for 11 years prior to becoming the joint partner of MARILYN YARAS.

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He was fingerprinted by ABC on July 19, 1954, and at the time, stated he had never been arrested. According to ABC, this was verified through the California Identification and Investigation in Sacramento.

According to these records, the wife of ALBERT ROSE is SHIRLEY ROSE, who was born March 4, 1902, in Brooklyn, New York, and has been employed by the Los Angeles County Assessor's office. This file reveals that at the time the limited partnership was dissolved between MARILYN YARAS and ALBERT ROSE, that MARILYN YARAS had given ROSE Power of Attorney to sign the Dissolution of Partnership.

These files reveal that SAM RITZER was born in Poland on December 14, 1906, and had been a salesman for children's clothing in New York City for nine years prior to 1957. [redacted] and they resided at 5124 3/4 Colfax Avenue.

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GELLMAN Manufacturing Company, Inc.
Midwest Triumph, Inc.
Capital Vending, Inc.
Amco Industries, Inc.

The following information is taken from a memorandum prepared by Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted], Chicago, Illinois, which was furnished to the Chicago Division pertaining to the Gellman Manufacturing Company, ET AL:

On July 6, 1962, Mr. [redacted], Security Exchange Commission, visited Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] at his office and provided the following information: b6 b7C

The Gellman Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of packing machines, of Rock Island, Illinois, is listed on the American Exchange as considering a merger with two automobile distributorships, viz. Midwest Triumph and Mid-States Jaguar. In the acquisition of the two automobile agencies, Gellman Manufacturing Company will give up 350,000 shares of its stock at a value of $3.00 per share. In such a case the merger must be approved by the stockholders of the Gellman Manufacturing Company, and this is accomplished by an election; and there is, of course, a great deal of solicitation of proxies in connection with the election. The only jurisdiction the Securities and Exchange Commission has is to determine that full disclosure has been made to the stockholders whose proxies are sought. To date Mr. [redacted] has not seen any of the material which is necessary for Gellman Manufacturing Company to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission to show that such a disclosure has been made.

The Mid-West Triumph and Mid-States Jaguar are [redacted] two individuals who are HAL OPPER and [redacted]. OPPER previously has been connected with Opper Plymouth and was active in the now defunct Importex Corporation with one [redacted] has been active in other organizations with such individuals as DAVE YARAS, DOMINIC BRANCATO and STEVE DE KOSTA. [redacted] is thought by Mr. [redacted] the notorious FRATTO brothers, and Mr. [redacted] also had heard that [redacted] has some connection with a Mr. [redacted] of the Sahara Motel North. Among [redacted] other enterprises are Standard Motors of Kansas City, Lincoln Park Buick and Jackson Motors.

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Details of the pending merger are being handled by the law firm of Sheeling and Leopold of Altoona, Pennsylvania. The merger is almost certain to be approved, and [redacted] and OPPER are already taking an active part in the affairs of the Gellman Company.

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On October 17, 1962, IC [redacted] of the Chicago Division, caused the files of the Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc. to be checked which reflects the following information relating to HAL OPPER:

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A report dated June 16, 1960, and the following residence address was indicated for OPPER at 9039 Chappel Avenue, Chicago. His wife's name is given as SANDRA. This report indicates he is self-employed as HAL OPPER Plymouth, Inc., 7626 South Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. A previous location as 7744 South Stoney Island, Chicago, Illinois. OPPER showed the following earlier employments: Nation-Wide Motors, Inc., location unknown, May 11, 1948; Allstate Auto Service, location unknown, June 11, 1946; Phil's Motor Company, 5940 Cornell Avenue, Chicago, March, 1945.

This report also indicated that HAL OPPER Plymouth, Inc. had judgements filed against this company during the

early part of 1961 totalling approximately $1,000. The report concluded with the statement that "this subject is reported to be very well off financially."

MM T-20 advised that by report dated May 8, 1961, regarding the Mid-West Distributors, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, the following was reflected regarding the Mid-West Triumph Distributors, Inc., 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois and its officers:

Mid-West Triumph Distributors, Inc. is located at 870 North Clark Street Chicago, and its officers are HAL OPPER, President; [redacted]; SANDRA OPPER, Secretary; [redacted]

With reference to the officers, MM T-20 advised that HAL OPPER is native born, 1919, and is married. He was sales manager of Arrow Motor Sales for several years prior to becoming owner of Allstate Motors. From 1941 to 1943, he was a partner in Phil's Motor Sales; from 1943, to 1945, he was a partner in Cottage Grove Auto Sales. Presently he is president of Nation-Wide Rentals Company, Inc. of Miami Beach, Florida. He is also shown as president of Nation-Wide Motors, Inc. and HAL OPPER Plymouth, Inc.

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[redacted] is native born, 37, and married. He was previously employed at Lincoln Park Buick for two and one half years and was [redacted] Standard Motors, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, for two years. He has been active in automobile sales for over 15 years.

On August 13, 1963, [redacted], Assistant Operating Director, Chicago Crime Commission, made available a letter dated March 12, 1963, reflecting the following:

"A daily news clipping of January 31, 1962, stated that HAL OPPER, 34, president and co-owner of the

"Nation-Wide Motors, Inc., 7755 Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, was robbed of $1,500 cash, $15,000 in checks, and jewelry in the sum of $2,000 by several men who stuck him up in front of his residence as he was about to drive a babysitter home after she minded his children.

"In a memorandum dated February 3, 1961, information was set forth that a Plymouth automobile, in August, 1960, was found parked in the vicinity of the home of FELIX ALDERISIO in Riverside, Illinois. (ALDERISIO is a leading figure in the crime syndicate).

"A sign in the window of the car, which had no license indicated that this vehicle had been purchased by [redacted] from HAL OPPER, dealer, at 57th Street and Stoney Island Avenue. This Plymouth as well as ALDERISIO's car was found this day parked in the vicinity of the home of SAM BATTAGLIA in Oak Park, Illinois. (BATTAGLIA is referred to as the executioner for the crime syndicate). WILLIAM "POTATO" DADDANO was seen leaving BATTAGLIA's home on this occasion. (DADDANO is a leading figure in the crime syndicate.) In checking out the Plymouth in the name of [redacted] the authorities were informed at the Hal Opper Company that the finance company handling the papers would know more about [redacted] and the deal.

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"The finance company records revealed that they did not want the paper on the car because [redacted] had no credit rating, but a telephone call from HAL OPPER induced them to take this paper since OPPER said that [redacted] was a friend of his. On the Application for Financing, [redacted] gave the name of [redacted], HAL OPPER and a personal reference of [redacted] Chicago. [redacted] was later questioned about his car and stated that he had bought it under the name of [redacted] because he had once been bankrupt and could not get credit under his true name of [redacted] At the time he was questioned,

"his companion in the car was ROBERT 'BARNEY' BAKER, North Park Hotel, one of JIMMY HOFFA's muscle men. [redacted] claimed employment as the salesman for the Jordan Exposition Company, 1545 Taylor Street, Chicago.

[redacted] LEW FERRELL, alias LEW FRATTO, a hoodlum from Des Moines, Iowa, who used to be in the syndicate in Chicago and a friend of all the big-time hoodlums in the Middle West. [redacted] is FRANK FRATTO, also known as 'half ear.'

"In a memorandum of June 8, 1961, it is reflected that a loop bank (Chicago) made inquiry concerning HAL OPPER, [redacted] and [redacted], who were [redacted] the Mid-West Triumph Distributors, Inc., distributors of the imported Triumph car. It appeared that OPPER [redacted] had purchased controlling interests in the Guaranty National Bank and Trust Company, (former Southmoor Bank which received unfavorable publicity in connection with the embezzlement by ORVILLE HODGE, then Illinois state auditor). [redacted] was referred to as a Pontiac dealer with possible hoodlum connections.

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"In a memorandum of April 12, 1962, information is set forth that HAL OPPER and [redacted] went to a large bank on the west side of Chicago seeking a line of credit of $750,000 in connection with the operation of the Mid-West Triumph Distributors, Inc. and the Mid-States Jaguar.

"These two concerns were located at 870 North Clark Street. They informed the bank that they had a credit line at the Southeast National Bank but wanted a larger loan line. OPPER stated that if he could not get a loan at the bank he was propositioning, he would go out and buy a bank of his own. It was indicated that he [redacted] had the controlling interests in the Guaranty

"National Bank and Trust Company, but that they had disposed of this interest.

"Confidential informant [redacted] who made inquiries on April 23, 1962, concerning HAL OPPER advised of the following information which he stated he had concerning HAL OPPER: b7D

"Has a suite of offices 233, 55 East Washington Street, Chicago. He has connections financial or as an officer with the following: Dilido Hotel on Miami Beach, Atlantic Hotel in Miami, Aztec Hotel in Miami, Bolivar Hotel in Miami, Dunes Motel of Miami, Madison Hotel of Miami, Seville Hotel of Miami, Chesterfield Holiday Systems, Inc., Miami Beach. This informant stated that while he has no proof or evidence concerning OPPER, he believes that he, OPPER, might be fronting for the syndicate in some of his operations."

This letter was signed by VIRGIL W. PETERSON, Operating Director, Chicago Crime Commission.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/12/64

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] Amco Music and Vending Incorporated.

[redacted] advised that Amco Music and Vending is a subsidiary of Amco Industries and that Amco Music and Vending Incorporated is the Southern California and Arizona distributor for the Seeburg Corporation.

Further, [redacted] stated that [redacted] this company but that he had returned to Chicago and that he was not certain if [redacted] was still an officer of the corporation or not. [redacted] advised that [redacted] HAL OPPER, was now President of Amco Industries and Amco Music and Vending and maintained his office in Chicago but made trips to Los Angeles about every two to three weeks.

[redacted] stated that Amco Music and Vending formerly maintained office space at 6403 East Slauson but that this location was now used only as a warehouse and all office space was located at 2251 West Pico Boulevard.

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[redacted] advised that before assuming the position of [redacted] he worked in the Credit Department and that [redacted] had formerly made all policy decisions of the company without consulting anyone else in the firm. For this reason, [redacted] stated he was not familiar with former arrangements but now knew the complete structure of the business and [redacted]

[redacted] stated that when the company was first formed, subdistributors were established by [redacted] at Phoenix and San Diego as [redacted] felt that there would be good opportunities for sales in those areas. [redacted] advised that the first employee in the Phoenix Office was an individual by the name of [redacted] who was to be a subdistributor and it was his understanding that [redacted] separate company known as Capitol Vending to act as an operator to get locations and vending machines.

On 4/30/64 at Los Angeles, California File # Los Angeles 92-1198

by SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN and SA AMEDEE O. RICHARDS, JR./bje/jgm Date dictated 5/6/64

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This policy, according to [redacted] has been discontinued and the company no longer desires to act in the capacity of operators except in those cases where they had to repossess routes from individual operators and it has been more financially prudent to operate these routes than to resell the machines at a loss; however, [redacted] stated they are trying to sell these routes whenever possible so that their entire operation will be that of a distributor. At present, they are operating routes in Phoenix and San Diego until they can sell them off but are doing no distributing from these locations. [redacted] concentrated all sale of equipment to the Los Angeles office and if sales are needed in another area, they will send a representative from Los Angeles to handle the deal.

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At present, [redacted] stated they are represented by [redacted] in Phoenix and [redacted] in San Diego but that these individuals handle only its problems in connection with route operations and are not engaged in the distribution of machines.

The route operations in locations such as San Diego and Phoenix are under the direction of Amco Services which occupies space in the same building at 2251 West Pico Boulevard.

Amco Services is a subsidiary of Amco Music and Vending Incorporated and was set up to handle the operation of the Los Angeles County contract of supplying vending equipment to the Los Angeles County buildings. Since this subsidiary is involved in the function of operation, Amco Services handles any operation phase of the business such as when a route is repossessed from an independent operator.

In the San Diego area, Amco had to repossess the route of a [redacted] according to [redacted] and lost considerable money on this transaction as [redacted] had padded his inventory of machines, was involved in double financing which Amco Music and Vending had to make good to the finance companies.

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In regard to Tucson Music and Vending in Tucson, Arizona, [redacted] claimed this was a completely independent operation to whom they had supplied machines. He recalled the name [redacted] as he had seen it on the credit statement submitted by the company but did not know the name of BATTAGLIA.

[redacted] advised that he did not know how [redacted] came to head up the company as this occurred while [redacted] of Amco Music and Vending Incorporated. [redacted] reiterated that this company in Tucson was not in the corporate structure of Amco, was an independent operation, and he did not know if this company had any connection with Capitol Vending of Phoenix.

[redacted] stated he was cognizant of Capitol Vending in Los Angeles, and knew the name of [redacted] in connection with this company. [redacted] claimed to recognize the name of [redacted] or MELTZER in reference to this company but claimed not to know this individual personally. Again [redacted] stated that Capitol Vending in Los Angeles was a completely independent operation and was not under the corporate structure of Amco. [redacted] financed much equipment for Capitol of Los Angeles and was making a determination of what machines were in the hands of Capitol so he could determine the status of their financial responsibility in relation to Capitol Vending. Also, [redacted] stated that Capitol in Los Angeles was founded while [redacted], and he knew nothing of how the men who run Capitol were selected.

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[redacted] was asked if he knew JULIAN RICHARD DAVIS and whether or not DAVIS had any business dealings with Amco. [redacted] stated he knew a DICK DAVIS and that DAVIS and an individual by the name of [redacted] who worked in the Credit Department of Amco, had an arrangement to sell milk products to Amco Services and that this arrangement was made while [redacted].

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[redacted] stated that after [redacted] he checked with Amco Services who indicated they could buy milk from most dairy companies so he told them to discontinue the arrangement of buying milk from DAVIS and [redacted]

In summary, [redacted] trying to consolidate the operations of Amco Music and Vending Incorporated to their original purpose of distribution and was consolidating this entirely to function out of the Los Angeles Office of the company. Also, [redacted] to get out of the operation phase of the business and was attempting to sell to independent operators any of the routes that they had to repossess. The only operation phase of the business was Amco Services which was for the special purpose of the contract with the Los Angeles County buildings.

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On December 10 and December 17, 1962, NM T-21 advised that a Chicago group had purchased the Badger Sales Company, formerly on West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. This company is handling jukeboxes as well as records. The informant continued that many of the small operators in the area feared that this company was attempting to take over jukebox operations and distribution in Los Angeles as they had in Chicago. The informant indicated that after the first of the year he would know more of the situation.

It was determined that the Badger Sales Company had sold out to a company known as Amco and the new company was located on Slauson Street in Los Angeles. On January 9, 1963, NM T-22 furnished the following information concerning the Amco Corporation:

A report, dated September 28, 1962, reflects that the Amco Music and Vending, Inc. is a subsidiary of the Gellman Manufacturing Company in Rock Island, Illinois. The address of this company is reflected as 2251 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. It is to be noted that this was the former address of the Badger Sales Company and that now the Amco Corporation and Badger Sales are located on Slauson Avenue in Los Angeles.

This report further reflects that investigation at Rock Island, Illinois, disclosed that the parent company, Gellman Manufacturing Company, Inc., has an Illinois Corporation founded April 6, 1922. This corporation manufactures automatic wrapping machines which are sold throughout the world. The individuals listed as officers of the Amco Corporation in Los Angeles are [redacted] and Directors HAL OPPER, Chairman of the Board, and [redacted] and DON MITCHELL as officers. A summary of this corporation reflects that it is a newly formed corporation and reportedly takes over partial operation of long

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established businesses.

This report states that the operations of the company are those of a sales agency. This firm is reportedly the exclusive distributor for Seeberg Company of Chicago and a number of other companies engaged in amusement and other vending activities.

This report reflects that the Amco Music and Vending Corporation was chartered August 29, 1962, with authorized capital of $50,000 and $100 par value. The business was originally established by WILLIAM R. HAPPEL, JR. in March, 1942, as the Badger Novelty Company, which was succeeded by the Badger Sales Company in 1946. In 1962 the Badger Sales Corporation was sold to Romax, Inc., a subsidiary of the Gellman Manufacturing Company. Romax, Inc. reportedly purchased this business on assignment which was then sold to Amco Music and Vending, Inc., also a wholely owned subsidiary of the Gellman Manufacturing Company, Rock Island, Illinois.

The following information appeared in the February 15, 1963, issue of the 'Chicago Daily News':

> "Shareholders of Gellman Manufacturing Company voted to change the name of the firm to Amco Industries at a special meeting Friday. They also approved an increase in authorized common stock from 1,500,000 to 3,000,000 shares. DON ROSS, President, said the name was changed because the new one better reflects our broadened corporate structure which now includes companies in automotive, vending and food machinery fields.
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> "No use is planned for the additional shares authorized, but management wanted them available for possible future stock dividends

"or acquisitions."

On May 1, 1963, Special Agent ROY W. REGER checked the records of the Airzona Corporation Commission, Phoenix, Arizona, and located the following information concerning Amco Leasing, Inc.:

Certificate of Incorporation number 61221 issued October 8, 1962. Corporators PHILIP MARKELL, 2042 16th Street, Phoenix, Arizona, [redacted] Los Angeles, California; HAL OPPER, 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois; [redacted] Wilmette, Illinois.

On May 2, 1963, Captain [redacted] Special Investigations, Phoenix, Arizona Police Department, advised he recently had a large talk with PHILIP MARKELL who in turn furnished the following information: b6 b7C

MARKELL said that he had been formerly a co-owner of the South Bay Amusement Company, Redondo Beach, California, and had retired. Following this retirement, he and his wife were at a party in Los Angeles and met [redacted] who, after learning that MARKELL had formerly been in the coin machine business, asked him if he would be interested in going back in business. MARKELL said he might and thought no more about it. Three or four days later, he was contacted by [redacted] who said he had arranged to open an office in Phoenix, Arizona, and wanted MARKELL to manage the office. He told MARKELL that he would have the Seeburg Franchise and would not be required to invest any money in the operation. MARKELL said that he accepted the offer, came to Phoenix, and started in business as Amco Leasing, Inc. He learned that [redacted] had purchased another company which had been operating in Phoenix and had retained [redacted] an employee of this company. MARKELL said that he soon discovered that [redacted] was stealing from the company, whereupon he

contacted [redacted] and said that he would not continue but [redacted] persuaded him to stay on, after which [redacted] was fired.

MARKELL later learned that the business provided for leasing machines, as well as being a distributor, and he again decided to quit but was dissuaded from this by [redacted] At this time [redacted] said that they would establish a new corporation to handle the leasing of the machine and would name this new company the Capital Vending, Inc., with offices at 2040 E. North 16th Street, Phoenix, Arizona, [redacted] said that he would prepare the necessary papers for incorporation and suggested that MARKELL contact his attorney and inform the attorney that MARKELL would be president; RONALD YARAS, Vice-President, and LEONARD YARAS, Treasurer. [redacted] said that YARASES were connected with A-1 Uniforms, Inc. in Chicago.

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MARKELL said he contacted his attorney, who had stated he would need more information concerning YARAS. MARKELL then contacted [redacted] who suggested that he have the attorney contact him and then they would probably leave the YARAS' names off as incorporators.

[redacted] further informed MARKELL that he was also incorporating Capital Vending in the State of California, and had set up offices in Los Angeles and San Diego, with headquarters in Los Angeles with the following officers:

Los Angeles Office located at 1122 South Lacienega Boulevard;

[redacted] Los Angeles, Vice-President in charge of locations;

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JACK FINK, Office Manager;

HERB FRIED, Locations Manager;

San Diego Office located at Vacation Village, Mission Bay or Mission Beach, San Diego;

[redacted] Office Manager

MARKELL continued that [redacted] had asked him to loan $5,000 to Capital Vending in order to get the California operations started. MARKELL refused to do this, but said that he would agree to loan the money directly to [redacted] to which [redacted] agreed. MARKELL then said that he sent [redacted] a personal check for $5,000,

and subsequently loaned [redacted] an additional $5,000 on the same basis.

MARKELL claims that [redacted] is the only person with whom he has had any dealings in connection with this business, and that [redacted] has impressed him as a legitimate businessman. b6 b7C

MARKELL said that he has never met, and does not know any of the other individuals connected with Amco or with Capital Vending.

On May 2, 1963, the records of the Arizona Corporation Commission, Phoenix, Arizona, revealed the following information concerning incorporators and officers of Capital Vending Incorporated, which was incorporated on November 1, 1962, Certificate #61359:

INCORPORATORS:

PHILLIP MARKELL, 2040 North 16th Street, Phoenix, Arizona;

RONALD YARAS, 1217 North Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois;

LEONARD YARAS, 1217 North Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois

OFFICERS:

PHILLIP MARKELL, Director and President

RONALD YARAS, Director and Vice-President

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LEONARD YARAS, Director

[redacted] Director

[redacted] Secretary-Treasurer

Lawful Agent: [redacted] 800 Title and Trust Building, Phoenix, Arizona.

On July 19, 1963, PHILLIP MARKELL, Manager, Amco Leasing Incorporated and President, Capital Vending Incorporated, 2040 North 16th Street, Phoenix, Arizona, advised Special Agent ROY W. REGER, he had been informed by [redacted] that the Tucson Vending and Equipment Company had been sold by [redacted]. MARKELL could furnish no details concerning this, but was of the opinion that this sale was an attempt by [redacted] to convince City and County Officials at Los Angeles that he was "cleaning up" his vending machine business. b6 b7C

MARKELL said that [redacted] had been attempting to obtain vending machine contracts with both the city and county of Los Angeles and that [redacted] may have experienced some opposition in this regard because of the association of CHARLES JOSEPH BATTAGLIA, Jr., with the Tucson Vending Company.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent ROBERT J. DENNEY at Kansas City:

The files of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, reflect that [redacted] the name by

which [redacted] was formerly known, has been on record in their files since 1947.

The file also contains a report from the Cook County, Illinois Credit Bureau, 218 South Wabash, Chicago, dated June 10, 1958, indicating that [redacted] is known to the office since October, 1945. They reflect him as being married [redacted] with two children, and employed at Lincoln Park Buick, Chicago, Illinois. The Credit Bureau reported that this company is now out of business.

The file of the Credit Bureau of Greater Kansas City, also contained a report of the Associated Credit Bureaus of America, dated May 1, 1961, which indicated that [redacted] was employed by Midwest Triumph Company, as [redacted] since May, 1958, with an income of $20,000 per year

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The following investigation was conducted by IC JOSEPH D. HAMMITT at Springfield, Illinois, on July 12, 1963:

Mr. [redacted] Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised that a check of records for 1962 and 1963 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to [redacted], DONALD A. MITCHELL, HAL OPPER, SANDRA OPPER, [redacted] However, he advised that certificate of Title 4C1085487 was issued to HAL OPPER Plymouth, Inc., 7626 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago 49, Illinois, for 1956 Buick 4-door, VIN 4C1085487. He also advised that certificate of Title 55346519 was issued to Hal Opper Olymouth, Inc., 7626 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago 49, Illinois, for 1957 Plymouth 4-door, VIN 55346519. Records reflect that these vehicles are titled only and so registered in Illinois.

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Mr. [redacted] Supervisor, Drivers License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised that a check of records reflected the following:

Drivers license #M324-1812-7337 issued 12/12/61 to DONALD A. MITCHELL, 720 Greenleaf, Glencoe, Illinois. This license expires 11/27/65 and describes him as 5'9", 160 pounds, DOB 11/27/27, brown hair and blue eyes. Records reflect that on 8/8/60, MITCHELL was arrested in Winnetka, Illinois, for speeding and gave an address of 4955 West Coyle, Skokie, Illinois, and was driving a 1960 Ford owned by Courtesy Motors, Grand and Central Park, Chicago, Illinois.

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Drivers license #0160-3201-9303 issued 11/7/62 to HAL OFFER, 9039 South Chappel Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This license expires 10/24/66 and describes him as 5'11", 198 pounds, DOB 10/24/19, black hair and brown eyes.

Drivers license #0160-7901-7883 issued 11/2/60 to SANDRA OFFER, 9039 South Chappel Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This license expires 10/4/64, and describes her as 4'11", 91 pounds, DOB 10/4/17, blonde hair and green eyes.

Drivers license [redacted] issued 6/8/62 to [redacted] Evanston, Illinois. This license expires 2/7/66, and describes him as 5'9", 155 pounds, DOB [redacted] brown hair and brown eyes.

Drivers license [redacted] issued 9/2/60 to [redacted], Evanston, Illinois. This license expires 1/21/64, and describes her as 5'3", 130 pounds, DOB [redacted] brown hair and grey eyes.

Mr. [redacted] also advised records reflect that on October 21, 1963, [redacted] was arrested for speeding, driving a 1962 Jaguar with 1962 Illinois dealer's license 870. He also advised that a check of records failed to reflect any drivers or chauffeurs license issued to [redacted] with an address of [redacted], or [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

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Mr. [redacted] advised that 1962 Illinois dealer's license 870 was issued 11/27/61, to Midstate Jaguar Limited, 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. The application for this license reflects the owners or partners of this organization as follows:

HAL OPPER
9039 South Chappel Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]
Wilmette, Illinois

[redacted]
Chicago, Illinois

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Mr. [redacted] Clark, Corporation Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised that the Annual Report for AMCO Industries, Inc., were filed February 19, 1963. He also advised that this corporation was formerly known as Collman Manufacturing Company and the registered office of AMCO Industries, Inc., is 1300 First Street, Rock Island, Illinois. The registered agent is [redacted] He also advised that the officers and directors for this corporation are as follows:

[redacted]
Chicago, Illinois

DONALD A. MITCHELL
Secretary and Director
134 North La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois

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[redacted]
Rock Island, Illinois

[redacted]
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]
Altoona, Pennsylvania

[redacted]

Tucson, Arizona

[redacted]

Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]

Altoona, Pennsylvania

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HAL OPPER
Director
7744 South Stony Island Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]

Chicago, Illinois

Mr. [redacted] also advised that the character of this business is listed as manufacturing and they are authorized to issue 1,500 shares of common stock with par value of $1.00. He also advised that as of preceding December 31st, 1,175,005 shares have been issued with a par value of $1.00 and he also advised that the amount of stated capital and paid in surplus as of preceding December 31st is as follows:

STATED CAPITAL	PAID IN SURPLUS
1,175,005	$159,275.39

On July 20, 1964, IC [redacted] Chicago Division, reviewed the file pertaining to AMCO Industries, under docket #6484542 in U. S. District Court, Chicago, Illinois. This file indicated that on May 11, 1964, creditors petitioned for a judication, filed in matter of AMCO Industries, Inc., an Illinois Corporation. This was filed by creditors Barber Colman Company, Beely-Wells Corporation, Sterling Products Company. A court order was dated May 21, 1964, and the time for the bankrupt to answer was extended to June 10, 1964.

A court order dated June 23, 1964, reflected that MACO Industries, Inc., was authorized to file motion to dismiss involuntary petition of bankruptcy filed May 11, 1964. Further hearing was ordered on said motion and was set for June 29, 1964.

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On July 22, 1964, Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] advised Special Agent EUGENE I. SATHER that the file was not complete as yet, however, mentioned believing that the involuntary petition of bankruptcy had been dismissed.

On September 2, 1964, [redacted] was interviewed at the office of Seberg Distributors, 2251 Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, by Special Agents AMEDEEO RICHARDS, JR., and [redacted] stated that he is currently [redacted] Seberg and was formerly [redacted] AMCO MUSIC and VENDING Company, when the company operated from the above address.

[redacted] said that he had been [redacted] AMCO Music and Vending Company, while [redacted] and later when OFFER was president. [redacted] stated that this company got into serious financial difficulty and that the Seberg Company, which supplied AMCO with their equipment, finally stepped in and took control.

[redacted] stated that he believed the AMCO Music and Vending Company was in debt to the extent of approximately $3,000,000. [redacted] further advised that the AMCO Music and Vending Company is no longer a subsidiary of AMCO Industries and is completely out of the vending machine business.

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[redacted] said that all of the individuals who had come from Chicago, such as [redacted] and [redacted] who had been associated with AMCO Music, were not retained by Seberg and have left the Los Angeles area.

On August 12, 1964, MM T-23 advised that he had learned that the Joe Green Cigarette Service had bought out the Capital Vending Company, previously operated by HAROLD "HAPPY" MELTZER.

It is to be noted that JACK FINK, previously associated with HAROLD MELTZER in the operation of Capital Vending Company, had advised Agents of the Los Angeles Office, that MELTZER was no longer associated with this company.

As previously reported, the Capital Vending Company was formed when [redacted]

AMCO Music and Vending Company at Los Angeles, and Capital was the Los Angeles branch of a Phoenix corporation, allegedly operated by PHIL MATKELL, who in turn, was an employee of the AMCO Music and Vending Branch in Phoenix, Arizona.

Y. PERSONAL HABITS.

It is noted that YARAS, while in the Miami Division, can usually be seen on a daily basis at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course at 23rd and Alton Road, Miami Beach, Florida. This fact has been established by MM T-15, MM T-17 and MM T-19.

On September 2, 1964, DAVID YARAS was observed by Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, Jr., at 12:15 PM, entering the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club; then proceeded the the card room therein, and was greeted by several individuals, including one ARTHUR SAMURIN, known as a bookmaker and gambler in the Greater Miami area.

At 12:30 PM on that same date, YARAS was observed by Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., conferring with MICHAEL COPPOLA, described previously.

On September 4, 1964, at 12:30 PM, YARAS, along with ARTHUR SAMURIN, Attorney [redacted] MICHAEL COPPOLA and others, were observed conferring in the card room of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, Miami Beach, Florida. b6 b7C

On September 10, 1964, at 9:40 AM, Special Agent HILL observed DAVID YARAS and PETER SARNOFF, formerly of Chicago, and now manager of the cocktail lounge of the Golden Nugget Motel, Miami Beach, Florida. These two were apparently in conference, said discussion

being held over breakfast in the coffee shop of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course.

On September 11, 1964, YARAS and SARNOFF were again observed in the coffee shop of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club, Miami Beach.

MM T-17 advised on October 23, 1964, that on that date he observed the following individuals in the card room of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club, Miami Beach:

JOSEPH FISCHETTI
MICHAEL COPPOLA
DAVID YARAS
WILLIE DENTAMARA
FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL
ARTHUR SAMURIN

On November 19, 1964, MM T-15 advised that YARAS, as of that time, had not been in the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club in over a week and it was believed by the informant that YARAS was in Chicago.

On December 4, 1964, Special Agents RALPH R. HILL, JR., and EUGENE MC KINNEY, observed DAVID YARAS at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, Miami Beach, at 11:00 AM. YARAS was unaccompanied at that time.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida
January 21, 1965

Title **DAVID YARAS**

Character **ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Reference **Report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida**

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida
January 21, 1965

RE: DAVID YARAS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above at Miami.

The following is a characterization of informants mentioned in above-referenced report.

MM T-15 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on the daily activites of YARAS while in the Miami Beach area.

MM T-16 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report concerning certain banking transactions of YARAS and his family.

MM T-17 is an individual whose associations with the hoodlum element enable him to report regularly on individuals in the Miami area such as DAVID YARAS, et al.

MM T-18 is an individual whose activities enable him to report on certain gambling type figures in the Central Ohio area.

MM T-19 is an individual whose association with the hoodlum element enables him to report on a regular basis concerning their activities.

RE: DAVID YARAS

MM T-20 is an agency which conducts credit type investigations.

MM T-21 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on individuals associated with the vending business in and around Los Angeles, California.

MM T-22 is an agency which conducts credit investigations in the Los Angeles area.

MM T-23 is an individual whose activities enable him to report on persons in and around Los Angeles who are acquainted with the music and jukebox industry.

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TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
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	CHARACTER OF CASE	
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~~Synopsis~~

REFERENCES: Report of SA RALPH R. HILL, Jr. dated 7/28/64, at Miami.
Miami letter to Chicago dated 7/29/64, (IO).
Report of SA RALPH R. HILL, Jr. dated 9/11/64, at Miami.
Los Angeles letter to Miami dated 10/9/64, (IO).

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in this report.

TO MIAMI

The following three reports of Chicago case entitled "NICHOLAS BRAVOS, Aka; GEORGE BRAVOS; DAVID YARAS; A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, Inc, AR," are being

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sent to Miami as enclosures to this report:

Report of SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN dated 6/11/63, at Chicago.

Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/23/64, at Chicago.

Report of SA [redacted] dated 10/12/64, at Chicago.

Also being sent to Miami is the following report in the case entitled "AMCO Industries, AR," Chicago file 92-1263:

Report of SA EUGENE I. SATHER dated 10/18/63. b6 b7C

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue investigation of DAVID YARAS with regard to activities and associates in the Chicago area.

ADMINISTRATIVE

With reference to [redacted] Chicago, who was telephonically contacted in Chicago by RONALD or [redacted] YARAS from Miami, Miami is referred to their file 87-19704, which corresponds to Chicago file 87-23312.

With regard to the Little Big Dollar Stores and the background of this establishment with regard to ownership and possible connection with the subject, the Miami Division is referred to their file 92-170 and report of SA RALPH R. HILL, Chicago, dated March 26, 1962, where this information is set forth on page 15.

CG 92-1684

With regard to the background and ownership and development of the A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, Inc., Chicago, and the interest of the subject in this company, the Miami Division is referred to their file 162-390 and report of SA WILLIAM A. MEINCKE dated January 4, 1963, Chicago.

The dates shown in the details of this report that do not correspond to the period of the report are as a result of information obtained from file review, which reflects investigation conducted in other matters prior to the period of this report.

INFORMANTS

Source	Date Contacted	Contacted By
CG T-1 [redacted]	7/30/57 12/12/58	SA JOHN J. MATTHEWS
CG T-2 [redacted]	11/24/57	SA WILLIAM J. MC CORMICK
CG T-3 [redacted]	10/1/64	SA [redacted]
CG T-4 [redacted]		SA WILLIAM L. HERRMANN
CG T-5 [redacted]		SA [redacted] SA JOSEPH I. BRENT
CG T-6 [redacted]	3/31/58 12/18/58	SA ROBERT L. BAKER

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Source	Date Contacted	Contacted By
CG T-7 [redacted]	3/2/61 2/14/64 12/24/64	SAs JOSEPH G. SHEA WILLIAM A. MEINCKE
CG T-8 PCI [redacted]	February and March, 1962	SA JOHN R. BASSETT
CG T-9 PCI [redacted]	11/15/64	SA EUGENE I. SATHER
CG T-10 Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., checked by IC [redacted]		

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Report of: THOMAS D. LAWRENCE
Office: Chicago

Date: JAN 21 1965

Field Office File #: 92-1834
Bureau File #: 92-7330

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: DAVID YARAS, a Miami resident, allegedly close associate of RICHARD PATRICK in Chicago, Illinois, where he reportedly has business interest in A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, Inc., with GEORGE and NICK BRAVOS. RONALD YARAS, son of DAVE, resides in Chicago and reportedly employed A-1 Industrial Uniform. DAVE YARAS believed to stay with RONALD when in Chicago. YARAS acquainted with JAMES ALLEGRETTI and other syndicate hoodlums in Chicago and has long history of association with infamous syndicate figures and jewel thieves. In addition, YARAS reportedly close to a number of individuals who have operated businesses of questionable financial foundation and which may have been guilty of illegal business practices. When in Chicago YARAS has used car furnished by Chicago car dealer and alleged illicit businessman, [redacted]. Family and background set forth. b6 b7C

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS AND SUBURBS

Birth Verification

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, 130 North Wells Street, reflect that DAVID YARAS was born November 7, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois, to ADOLPH YARAS and CECLIA EISEN (EISLER), which birth was recorded in delayed series birth record number 33236.

Records of Chicago Police Department Regarding Subject

The following records were made available by Sergeant [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department, 11th and State Streets, under file number 17-1-175, FBI Number 655-097, Chicago Police Department Bureau of Identification number D14360 with regard to DAVID YARAS:

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DAVID YARAS was residing at 8042 Knox Street, Skokie, Illinois, in 1963. He is described as a white male, born November 7, 1912, at Chicago, Illinois, 5' 9" tall, 175 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes and ruddy complexion. His parents, ADOLPH YARAS and CECLIA EISEN, are both deceased and his two brothers, MAX and SAM YARAS, are deceased. He has a sister, [redacted] residing in San Francisco, California, a second sister, [redacted], address unknown, and a third sister, FANNIE YARAS, deceased. The subject has two sons through marriage to MARILYN PAZUCEK, MARVIN LEONARD YARAS, born June 21, 1940, Mount Sinai Hospital, Chicago, Doctor M. SHIFRIN, birth record number 23830, and RONALD JOEL YARAS, born May 15, 1937, Mount Sinai Hospital, Chicago, Doctor M. SHIFRIN, birth record number 18060.

As of March 27, 1963, the address of RONALD YARAS was 5315 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, in care of [redacted] whose address was the same. RONALD was described at this time as having brown hair, blue eyes, 5' 10" tall, and 165 pounds.

LEONARD YARAS' address was not given and he was described as having brown, curly hair, 165 pounds, 5' 11" tall.

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An affidavit of friends of the family filed at the hospital at the birth of RONALD and LEONARD YARAS bore the signatures of [redacted] Chicago, and [redacted] Chicago.

Observations of Subject by
Chicago Police Department

In August, 1955, the subject's car was observed at the wake of DOMINCIO CAIFANO, brother of MARSHALL CAIFANO, notorious Chicago hoodlum.

On June 24, 1946, the subject was indicted for the murder of JAMES E. RAGEN, Sr., Chicago race wire king.

On June 17, 1948, the subject was arrested attempting to break into a room in the Netherland Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio, where jewelry was on display. The charge in this matter was reduced to malicious destruction of property and the subject was fined $100.00 and costs.

On April 26, 1963, the subject was listed as being a close associate of LEONARD PATRICK and NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS, all considered leading figures in the Chicago underworld.

On March 20, 1963, the subject was listed as secretary and treasurer and a director of the A-1 Uniform Service which was allegedly operated by NICK and GEORGE DRAVOS.

On July 11, 1963, Sergeant [redacted] stopped a car at 900 North Oakley, Chicago, which was occupied by an individual identifying himself as "DAVID YARAS, Owner of A-1 Industrial Laundry." Also in the car was an individual who identified himself as "LOUIS YARAS", age 24, 8204 North Knox, Skokie, Manager of A-1 Industrial Laundry, and the son of DAVID YARAS. b6 b7C

On July 31, 1963, the subject's car, a 1962 White Pontiac, was observed at 1217 North Oakley. This car was registered to the subject at 4410 Adams Street, Miami, Florida.

On February 7, 1964, the "Chicago Daily News" identified DAVID YARAS as the director of the A-1 Industrial Uniform Service and referred to this firm as a hoodlum-linked firm.

On February 13, 1964, the "Chicago Daily News" identified DAVID YARAS as an individual ranking among the major syndicate killers.

An entry dated only 1963, referred to YARAS as owner of the Kleen Linen Supply Company, Miami, Florida.

Also in the Chicago Police Department record concerning the subject under number D-14360 were the following arrests:

August 17, 1930 South Haven, Michigan, investigation

April 19, 1933	Chicago, Illinois, general principles
June 23, 1934	Chicago, Illinois, turned over to Calumet City, Illinois Police
June 29, 1934	Crown Point, Indiana, robbery, two counts
June 29, 1936	Chicago, Illinois, general principles
October 2, 1944	Chicago, Illinois, investigation
July 19, 1945	Chicago, Illinois, investigation
February 26, 1946	" "
April 19, 1946	" "
May 14, 1946	" "
May 20, 1946	" "
April 3, 1947	" "
April 3, 1947	Nolle prossed, murder
June 17, 1947	Chicago, Illinois, investigation
June 13, 1948	Cincinnati, Ohio, possession of burglar tools

CG 92-1884

Records of Chicago
Crime Commission

The following information was made available by Mr. [redacted], Chicago Crime Commission, 79 West Monroe Street, as contained in Volume 23, pages 1834B, 1834A and 1830C. Mr. [redacted] advised that the majority of the information relating to the subject had been made available to Mr. DANIEL P. SULLIVAN, Operating Director, Crime Commission of Greater Miami, by letter of October 18, 1963. He stated, however, that he did not believe the following information was included:

In a memorandum of January 14, 1947, it was indicated that DAVE YARAS and [redacted] operated a handbook at 3613 West Roosevelt Road with an alternate location of 3625 West Roosevelt Road, second floor.

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In a "Chicago Sun" clipping of March 17, 1947, it is stated that two gunmen said to have been with WILLIAM BLOCK in the truck from which JAMES M. RAGEN was ambushed were identified by two witnesses as being LEONARD PATRICK, 3507 Douglas Boulevard, and DAVID YARAS, 5513 Gladys Avenue, both being ex-convicts and known associates of BLOCK.

In a "Tribune" clipping of March 19, 1947, it was indicated that the Cook County Grand Jury had indicted WILLIAM E. BLOCK, age 36, DAVID YARAS, age 34, and LEONARD PATRICK, age 35, on March 18, 1947, for the murder of JAMES M. RAGEN.

In a memorandum of March 26, 1947, information is recorded that DAVID YARAS and LENNY PATRICK, sought by the police, might be in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in the company of [redacted] a Twin-Cities hood. It was learned that both these persons had been with [redacted] at his place of business but had

left before Chicago Police authorities reached town to apprehend them.

In a "News" clipping of April 1, 1947, it was stated that the States Attorney's Office admitted that the case against BLOCK, YARAS and PATRICK was collapsing because lie tests administered to three witnesses failed to support the identification of the indicted men.

In a "News" clipping of April 3, 1947, it was indicated that the indictment against BLOCK, PATRICK and YARAS was quashed in the Criminal Court. It was stated that Captain [redacted] and Lieutenant WILLIAM DRURY were indicted for conspiracy. They were the officers who produced the three witnesses who said they had seen BLOCK, YARAS and PATRICK kill RAGEN and later recanted their statements and stated they had lied to collect a reward. b6 b7C

In a court observer's report of April 3, 1947, concerning indictment 47-599, defendants WILLIAM BLOCK, DAVID YARAS and PATRICK had surrendered in open court, BLOCK already being in custody, and on motion of the State the murder indictment was nolled as to each defendant.

It was indicated that the State agreed that the case against the defendants had been built upon perjured testimony before the Grand Jury.

In a Crime Commission report of April 14, 1947, it is recited that from a review of the Grand Jury testimony it appears that Captain [redacted] and Lieutenant WILLIAM DRURY framed the RAGEN murder case so that it would appear that BLOCK, YARAS and PATRICK were responsible.

In a memorandum of April 17, 1947, it was indicated that a handbook at 3613 West Roosevelt Road was closed in March, 1947, because of the arrest of WILLIAM BLOCK, the

manager, and the indictment of YARAS and PATRICK, employees of the book.

In a report of May 8, 1947, information was set forth that during the summer of 1944 and while they were under suspension from the Chicago Police Department, Captain [redacted] Lieutenant DRUMY, Captain [redacted] Captain [redacted] and occasionally Captain [redacted] loafed around the Midstates Motors, 3535 North Ashland Avenue. LENNY PATRICK, DAVE YARAS and WILLIAM BLOCK and MIKE BROOKIN, [redacted] of the agency, would also hang around the place. YARAS, PATRICK and BLOCK were known as bookies and YARAS also had a pinball repair shop. All those named were friendly and everyone knew that PATRICK, YARAS and BLOCK operated books. Attorney BIEBER corroborated these facts. b6 b7C

In a memorandum of November 10, 1947, it is reported that PATRICK was formerly employed in a handbook operated at 2613 Ogden Avenue (the ownership license was in the name of another person since PATRICK was an ex-convict). A handbook was alleged to be operating in the back of the tavern. For years poker games were operated at 3164 Ogden Avenue with which PATRICK was said to be associated. It is indicated that PATRICK was supposed to have been reared in an orphans' home on Chicago's northwest side at the same time DAVID YARAS, WILLIAM BLOCK, GEORGE BIEBER and MIKE BROOKIN were residents of that area.

In a memorandum of May 27, 1948, it is indicated that information was received that "BIG SNEEZE" FRIEDMAN, a hoodlum and brother of the slain LEO "LITTLE SNEEZE" FRIEDMAN, is a close friend of LENNY PATRICK and DAVID YARAS.

In a "Tribune" clipping of March 22, 1950, it is recited that one EDWARD MURPHY, age 48, an ex-convict and member of the DANNY MC GEOGHEGAN mob, was found shot to death near Gary, Indiana. He was described as having been a silent power in the syndicate gambling in the 22nd, 23rd and 24th Wards, and was also alleged to be a silent partner of

DAVID YARAS and LEN PATRICK, described as being in charge of syndicate gambling in the three west side wards.

In a "Daily News" clipping of September 28, 1950, it is reported that the police were seeking LEONARD PATRICK, DAVID YARAS and WILLIE BLOCK for questioning concerning the shotgun slaying of WILLIAM DRURY, ousted Chicago Police lieutenant. DRURY tried to link the 1946 slaying of JAMES RAGEN to the trio.

In memorandum of October 2, 1950, it is reported that anonymous information was received that BLOCK, PATRICK and YARAS were in control of lottery jars flooding the 35th Police District.

In a memorandum of December 29, 1950, it was indicated that DAVE YARAS had become a very close associate and confident of JOE MASSIE of Miami, who was stated to be PETE LICOVOLI's boss in Detroit. YARAS bought a home at 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami, and was reputed to be a behind-the-scenes operator of the Italian Village in Miami Beach, a well known congregating point for racketeers.

In a memorandum of February 15, 1951, it was stated that DAVE YARAS purchased a home at 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach, and was believed to be operating the Italian Village Restaurant [redacted] and his wife, [redacted] and that [redacted] is JOE MASSIE's [redacted] b6 b7C

In a memorandum of May 9, 1951, it is stated that SAM YARAS, DAVE YARAS and DAVE's wife, MARILYN, operate the Tahiti Bar, Miami Beach, Florida.

In a letter from the Miami Crime Commission dated June 11, 1951, it was stated that DAVE YARAS took over the

Tahiti Bar, Miami Beach, about a year before and that prior thereto the place had been [redacted] b6 b7C

In a "Tribune" clipping of May 6, 1952, concerning the murder of DAVID ZATZ, age 39, who was found shot to death in the trunk of his car on May 5, 1952, it is reported that ZATZ had operated a handbook at the cigar counter in the State of Illinois Building and had been run out of the building after having been uncovered as a handbook operator and had recently started booking in the 38th District. The article recites that he was known as a syndicate front for DAVID YARAS and LEONARD PATRICK, the gang's representatives under the rule of MARSHALL CAIFANO, syndicate hatchet man in the district.

In a "Tribune" clipping of January 9, 1953, a story states that police were investigating the gangland slaying of MILTON GLICKMAN, an ex-convict, and were fearful that his alleged partner HERSHEY (HARRY) KOVIN had met a similar fate. Mrs. KOVIN told police that her husband was an acquaintance of LENNY PATRICK, syndicate hoodlum with gambling house interests, and also of DAVID YARAS, another hood.

In a memorandum of February 13, 1953, it is reported that information was received that DAVID YARAS, LEONARD PATRICK and JOE MASSIE, the latter formerly of Detroit, had been operating the Sans Souci gambling establishment in Havana, Cuba.

In a "Tribune" clipping of March 15, 1953, a story about syndicate gambling, LEONARD PATRICK, 4248 Congress Street, is described as being, with WILLIAM BLOCK, boss in the 24th Ward, embracing the Fillmore District and part of the Lawndale

District. Both PATRICK and BLOCK were ex-convicts and former associates of DAVID YARAS. PATRICK is thought to be a member of the Young Turk segment of the syndicate headed by TONY ACCARDO which is chafing under the leadership of PAUL RICCA.

In a memorandum of March 19, 1956, it was stated that DAVE YARAS was born November 7, 1912, the family name being JAROS.

In a letter of March 14, 1956, from the Miami Crime Commission concerning MATTHEW E. HOCHBERG who had been murdered in Miami on May 1, 1955, it was stated that HOCHBERG was supposed to have been a specialist in jewelry robberies and it was learned that DAVE YARAS was a close associate of the murdered man. YARAS was in Chicago at the time of the murder and he promised [redacted] he would try to find out the identity of the slayer but he had not contacted [redacted] since the promise. b6 b7C

In a letter from the Miami Crime Commission dated August 5, 1959, there was set forth a list of telephone numbers called from the home of DAVE YARAS in Miami Beach, and among the telephone numbers was that of a non-published number which checked out to LEONARD PATRICK, 2820 West Jarlath, Chicago.

In an "American" clipping of March 22, 1961, being one of a series of articles by RICHARD B. OGILVIE (U.S. prosecutor of TONY ACCARDO), DAVE YARAS and LENNIE PATRICK are listed as persons who direct crime in Rogers Park and the far north side and among the second level hoodlums in the Chicago criminal picture. These two, together with JOE DI VARCO and BILL GOLD, were considered as lieutenants working under ROSS PRIO.

In a "News" clipping of April 28, 1961, it was reported that DAVE YARAS, described as a former enforcer in Chicago who

took over in the Miami area, was at the wedding of TONY ACCARDO's daughter on April 27, 1961.

In a police report of May 11, 1961, it is stated that DAVE YARAS was present at the wedding of TONY ACCARDO's daughter on April 27, 1961.

In a letter from the Miami Crime Commission dated May 11, 1961, information was set forth that the Susco Rent-A-Car System, Inc., 340 - 23rd Street, Miami, [redacted] Chicago, [redacted], Chicago), is reportedly controlled by DAVE YARAS through his son, RONNIE YARAS, and that many of the hoodlums visiting Miami Beach use Susco rented cars.

Individuals in Chicago, Illinois
Area Contacted by the Subject

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A public informational source operated by the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, made available the following identities of subscribers to the numbers listed below that were called from Miami, Florida, in Chicago by the subject during 1964:

[redacted]

Telephone [redacted]

On November 5, 1964, Mrs. [redacted], Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc., advised IC [redacted] that she could not locate any record for the above captioned individual in her files. The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago, as examined by IC [redacted], on November 5, 1964, contained no record for the above captioned individual.

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LEONARD M. YARAS
3600 North Lake Shore Drive
Apartment 2408
Telephone BU 1-8513

The above captioned individual is the son of the subject.

MAX COHEN
3900 Lake Shore Drive
Telephone LA 5-3724

Mrs. [redacted] Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc., furnished the following information to IC [redacted] JR., on November 5, 1964, with regard to MAX COHEN:

COHEN is married and in excess of 50 years old, having had a credit record since 1948. He is the owner of Division Chevrolet, 1301 Chicago Avenue, and maintains a checking account with a sizable balance at the Main State Bank, Chicago. [redacted] and he has a satisfactory credit rating with numerous current accounts with leading Chicago firms. b6 b7C

The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] JR., on November 5, 1964, contained no record concerning MAX COHEN.

[redacted]
Telephone [redacted]

Mrs. [redacted] Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc., advised IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964, that her files reflected the following concerning [redacted]

As of November 16, 1964, [redacted] was identified as being 33 years of age and residing at [redacted] for the past four years. There was nothing unfavorable regarding his character or habits and he was self-employed for the past 15 years as [redacted], operating from his home. He maintained a large shop in his basement where he developed photographs. He maintained a bank account at the First National Bank of Clearing and had numerous current accounts with leading Chicago department stores. His credit rating was good and as of 1960 he was listed as the owner o[redacted], store operating from his home at [redacted] and maintained the same bank account and credit rating.

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The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964, reflected no information concerning [redacted]

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ZELMAN ROSENTHAL
10355 South Western
Phone Number 233-9240

Mrs. [redacted] Chicago Credit Bureau, furnished the following information to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1962 with regard to the captioned individual:

The Chicago Credit Bureau files contain a credit record for ZALMAN ROSENTHAL, who was listed as a partner in the Ideal Belt and Novelty Company, 307 Van Buren Avenue, Chicago. The record for this individual dates back to the 1930s and lists residence at Glencoe, Illinois, Evanston and Chicago, Illinois. This individual has an account at the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company, Chicago, maintained since 1935 with a substantial balance and has numerous current accounts at leading department stores in Chicago. His credit standing is considered excellent, he is married, in excess of 54 years of age, has two children, and [redacted]. There was no reference in this record to the above address of 10355 South Western, which was given by the Illinois Bell Telephone Company as the address for telephone number 233-9240, which was called by the subject from Miami, Florida. b6 b7C

The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964 contain no reference to ZELMAN ROSENTHAL.

INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED IN CHICAGO BY RONALD YARAS FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA

The following individuals were telephonically contacted in Chicago by RONALD YARAS and his wife while residing from February through June, 1964, at the Venetian Isle Motel, Miami Beach, Florida:

[redacted]

Mrs. [redacted] Chicago Credit Bureau, furnished the following information to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964 in connection with the captioned individual: b6 b7C

[redacted] have a record of two judgments against them. In one instance, dated November 1, 1962, the plaintiff is [redacted] and his attorney is [redacted]. In a second instance, the plaintiff is the Peoples National Bank and the plaintiff's attorney is [redacted] This judgment is dated January 30, 1963. There is no other record of this individual.

The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964 contained no reference to [redacted].

During an investigation conducted in 1949 with regard to NICHOLAS GEORGE MONTOS, investigation reflected that one '[redacted] Chicago, was called by MONTOS, a well-known jewel thief at that time." [redacted] was in New York at the time of this attempted contact by MONTOS. In addition, this investigation reflected that [redacted] had been contacted by numerous associates of MONTOS.

This 1949 investigation continued that [redacted] an automobile dealer, Chicago, had some items, unmentioned, to deliver to MONTOS.

In connection with [redacted], another investigation of the G. D. PARSONS, Et Al, NSPA case, which involved a robbery of the Perry Jewelry Company, Birmingham, Alabama, during 1947, the investigation disclosed that [redacted] was contacted by the subjects of this case while they were in Chicago attempting to get rid of the stolen jewelry and there were telephone calls made to the subjects of this burglary from the Chicago telephone number listed to [redacted] Mutual Auto Sales, 1701 North Cicero Avenue, Chicago.

In connection with previous investigations conducted by the Chicago Division, in 1933, [redacted]

and used car salesman, was described as [redacted] NICHOLAS GEORGE MONTOS, a notorious jewel thief, who might be a jewel fence. [redacted] reportedly once purchased [redacted] for MONTOS in [redacted] name. In addition, in 1953, it was reported that a girl friend of JAMES ALLEGRETTI, presently a leading Chicago syndicate hoodlum, had a notation made along side a purchase record of a car for use reflecting that if any trouble developed concerning this purchase, [redacted] should be contacted. b6 b7C

In addition to the above mentioned references, numerous other instances of close association between [redacted] and NICHOLAS GEORGE MONTOS, and other notorious jewel thieves, have been discovered through investigations conducted by the Chicago Office. b6 b7C

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Phone Number [redacted]

Mrs. [redacted] Chicago Credit Bureau, advised IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964 that she was unable to locate any record of the captioned individual in her files. b6 b7C

The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] [redacted] on November 5, 1964 contain no reference to the captioned individual. b6 b7C

During the course of another investigation conducted by the Chicago Division, during August, 1964, [redacted] was interviewed in connection with [redacted] Miami, Florida, during April, 1964. During this interview, [redacted], Miami Beach, [redacted] Mr. and Mrs. RONALD YARAS, explaining that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] is described as follows:

Race
Sex
Age
Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Complexion
Eyes
Occupation

Residence

[redacted]

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[redacted] Chicago

Phone Number [redacted]

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Mrs. [redacted] Chicago Credit Bureau, advised IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964 that her records reflected the following in connection with the captioned individual:

[redacted], whose residence was listed as [redacted] in 1961, and [redacted] in 1960, was listed as having a firm address of [redacted] and no additional information furnished. The above was from inquiry cards and there was no derogatory information regarding this individual's creditrecord.

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The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, as made available to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964, reflected that [redacted] address [redacted] age 29, White Male, 153 pounds, 5'9", blue eyes, brown hair, was arrested for investigation of tavern violations at 624 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, on December 25, 1953. His occupation was given as tavern keeper and he was listed as a life-long resident of Chicago. The matter was discharged on December 29, 1953 in the City Court of Judge WEISS.

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During August, 1957, in connection with another investigation by the Chicago Division, agents inspected the premises at [redacted] Chicago, which reflected the name [redacted] on the mailbox designated for the second floor. In addition [redacted] automobile, identified through license plate check, was parked in front of the [redacted] address. This individual is believed to be [redacted] who was observed at the Starlight Room, 624 South Michigan, and is described as a White Male, 5'11", 175 pounds, age 40, light complexion.

CG T-1 advised on July 30, 1957 that he had been with an individual who [redacted] Starlight Lounge on South Michigan Avenue, for a number of years. He knows this individual as [redacted]. He stated that several years ago [redacted] and one [redacted] taverns together and later when [redacted] and [redacted] fell out, [redacted] went to JIMMY ALLEGRETTI, who owned a tavern on North Rush Street, for help. CG T-1 believed that [redacted] was a fence for stolen furs and jewels, and knew that it was possible to purchase furs and unset diamonds from [redacted] at ridiculously low figures. CG T-1 continued to explain that [redacted] was involved in the purchase and sale of expensive jewelry, coats, and sweaters. CG T-1 advised on December 12, 1958 that he had overheard a conversation between three well-known Chicago burglars, who were discussing a burglary at the Pick-Congress Hotel. During this discussion, they indicated that [redacted] also known as [redacted] was in for 10% of the loot.

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In connection with the Gellman Manufacturing Company, Rock Island, Illinois, the Securities Exchange Commission furnished the following to the Office of the United States Attorney, Chicago, during August, 1962:

Midwest Triumph and Midstates Jaguar [redacted] two individuals, HAL OPPER and [redacted]. OPPER previously has been connected with Opper Plymouth, Chicago, and was active in the now defunct Importex Corporation with one [redacted] has been active in other organizations with such individuals as DAVE YARAS, DOMINIC BRANCATO, and STEVE DE KOSTA.

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In connection with an investigation conducted by the Chicago Division, involving criminal influence in Chicago banking establishments [redacted] Supervisor, Savings and Loan Association for the State of Illinois, advised the orighal organizers of the Mid-Town Savings and Loan Association, Chicago, were as follows:

[redacted]

BENJAMIN F. LEWIS (former alderman, murder victim)

[redacted]

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HAL OPPER
DONALD A. MITCHELL
[redacted]

CG T-2 advised on November 24, 1957 that the jewelry taken from the burglary of the Madison Pawners, Chicago, was purchased by [redacted] a Chicago fence who sold several of the watches to [redacted] also known as [redacted] who operates the Starlight Room at 621 South Michigan.

CG T-3 advised on October 1, 1964 that [redacted] [redacted] of Chicago was going to marry [redacted] who is an associate of [redacted] in AMCO Industries. [redacted] reported that she had invested some money through [redacted] in his enterprises.

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[redacted]

Phone Number [redacted]

Miss [redacted] Chicago Credit Bureau Inc. advised IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964, that she had no record of a [redacted] in her files.

The records of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, was made available to IC [redacted] on November 5, 1964, contained no references to [redacted]

On February 14, 1964, in connection with the investigation of another matter in the Chicago Division, SA [redacted] observed [redacted] of LEONARD PATRICK, a known Chicago hoodlum, entering a 1963 blue Pontiac. This car was driven by a woman who was subsequently identified as [redacted], Chicago. The two women were observed shopping together and later picking up [redacted] small children from a neighborhood school. [redacted] had previously been observed visiting to home of [redacted] on other occasions.

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In July, 1963, the Miami Division advised that DAVID YARAS could be reached at Chicago at telephone number RO 1-1699, which number is listed to [redacted]

Carriage House
215 East Chicago
Phone Number 943-5000

The Carriage House is an exclusive restaurant hotel in the Rush Street section of Chicago. This establishment is reportedly owned by the Jupiter Company of Chicago.

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LEGITIMATE BUSINESSES IN WHICH SUBJECT ALLEGEDLY HAS INTEREST

Gellman Manufacturing Company
Rock Island, Illinois

The following information was furnished by the Security Exchange Commission to the United States Attorney's Office, Chicago, on August 10, 1962, with regard to the captioned firm:

The Gellman Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of packing machines of Rock Island, Illinois, is listed on the American Exchange as considering a merger with two automobile distributorships, viz. Midwest Triumph and Midstates Jaguar. In the acquisition of the two automobile agencies, Gellman Manufacturing Company will give up 850,000 shares of its stock at a value of $3.00 per share. In such a case the merger must be approved by the stockholders of the Gellman Manufacturing Company, and this is accomplished by an election; and there is, of course, a great deal of solicitation of proxies in connection with the election. The only jurisdiction the SEC has is to determine that full disclosure has been made to the stockholders whose proxies are sought. To date Mr. [redacted] has not seen any of the material which it is necessary for Gellman Manufacturing to file with the SEC to show that such a disclosure has been made.

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Midwest Triumph and Midstates Jaguar [redacted] two individuals, HAL OPPER and [redacted]. OPPER previously has been connected with OPPER Plymouth and was active in the now defunct Importex Corporation with one [redacted] has been active in other organizations with such individuals as DAVE YARAS, DOMINIC BRANCATO and STEVE DE KOSTA. [redacted] is though by Mr. [redacted] the notorious FRATTO brothers, and Mr. [redacted] also had heard that [redacted] has some connection with a Mr. [redacted] of the Sahara North. Among [redacted] other enterprises are Standard Motors of Kansas City, Lincoln Park Buick and Jackson Motors.

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Details of the impending merger are being handled by the law firm of Shasing & Leopold of Altoona, Pennsylvania. The merger is almost certain to be approved, and [redacted] and OPPER are already taking an active part in the affairs of the Gellman Company.

The San Diego Office furnished the following to the Chicago Division on December 11, 1963, in connection with the investigation concerning Amco Music and Vending Company.

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The described information is as follows:

On August 31, 1963, this Department received information that BADGER SALES CO., 2251 West Pico, Los Angeles, juke box distributor, filed a notice of sale to the ROMAX, INC.

On September 12, 1963, [redacted] of GELLMAN MFG. CO. of Rock Island, Illinois, was interviewed. He stated that the BADGER SALES CO., was in the process of being sold to the GELLMAN MFG. CO., and will be operated as a wholly-owned subsidiary of GELLMAN MFG. CO., to be known as AMCO MUSIC & VENDING, INC., reportedly a California corporation. Escrow is to be handled through the CITY NATIONAL BANK of Beverly Hills. Attached you will find a report on the GELLMAN MFG. CO., INC.

HAL OPPER is the chairman of the board and president of AMCO MUSIC & VENDING. He is a long time automobile dealer in Chicago. He experienced difficulty in that line, and his corporation was dissolved with many debts unpaid. One of the largest debtors is the state of Illinois for sales and use tax, which was collected from automobile buyers and diverted to his own use which was alleged to amount to an excess of $80,000.00. OPPER was also associated with one, [redacted] a top Chicago hoodlum, as he once obtained an auto credit plan for [redacted] stating that [redacted] was a personal friend.

[redacted] aka. [redacted] AMCO MUSIC & VENDING. According to information received from Chicago, he lived at [redacted] Illinois. At one time, [redacted] the MIDWEST TRIUMPH DISTRIBUTORS, INC., 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. This business held a Triumph Distributorship Franchise and handled at least one other type of foreign car. Several months ago, on another investigation, it was disclosed that GUS ALEX, was on a loading dock in Kenosha, Wisconsin, during November, 1961, when a foreign ship was dischargin Triumph automobiles consigned to the MIDWEST TRIUMPH CO. His interest seemed to indicate an investment in that company. GUS ALEX, FBI #244200, is a former member of the CAPONE syndicate and a prominent syndicate hoodlum. b6 b7C

[redacted] is alleged to be related through marriage, to the FRATTO family, LOUIS, GUY, [redacted] well-known Chicago hoodlums who have as their associates, WILLIAM "POTATOES" DADDANO, FBI #1922776, a member of the national gambling syndicate and a top Chicago hoodlum, ALBERT "OBBIE" FRABATTA, FBI #521263, who is highly connected with the Chicago criminal syndicate, and SAM "MOONEY" GIANCANA, aka. SAM MOONEY, MICHAEL MANCUSO, and G. STANLEY, FBI #58437, considered one of the nation's top hoodlums.

DONALD A. MITCHELL is the Secretary of AMCO MUSIC & VENDING. He is also a Chicago attorney who recently represented [redacted] and several other hoodlums in attempting ot obtain a mandamus to force legitimate scavenger aspirants to cease resistance in attempts, by hoodlums, to take over the scavenger industry.

[redacted] was once known as the [redacted] a strip of night clubs on Chicago's near north side.

DON MITCHELL is also one of the incorporators of the CHICAGO INDEPENDENT AMUSEMENT ASSOCIATION which was formed out of the old coin machine service association. This organization was operated as an extortion racket for the benefit of local gangsters who had a protection platform as their only services.

According to information received from Cook County, Illinois, through a confidential source, [redacted] was a member of the Chicago Crime Syndicate. He is now alleged to be living in the Los Angeles area.

[redacted] placed PHIL MARKELL as president of CAPITOL VENDING, INC. because MARKELL used to be in the vending machine business. [redacted] tells him what to do, including the fact that HAROLD "HAPPY" MELTZER and JACK FINE would handle CAPITOL VENDING in the Los Angeles area. b6 b7C

PHILIP MARKEL, aka. PHILIP MARKOWITZ, is described as male, Cauc., born 1916. He has for several years been active in the Redondo Beach area dba SOUTH BAY MUSIC CORP., and SOUTH BAY AMUSEMENT NOVELTY CO., operating pin-ball games. He was considered to be one of the largest operators in that area.

It was alleged, but not confirmed, that CHARLES BATTAGLIA, a local bookmaker and gambler, had a financial interest in that business as well as in CAPITOL VENDING, INC.

CAPITOL VENDING, INC. Information received from Phoenix, Arizona, indicates that PHILIP MARKELL is president of CAPITOL VENDING, INC., however, it has since been learned that he is no longer connected with that business.

[redacted] Los Angeles, [redacted] locations and operations at the Los Angeles branch, located at 1122 South La Cienega Boulevard.

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JACK PINE, aka. JACK KESSLER is described as male, Cauc., 48 years old, 5'4", 155 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes (wears glasses), LA # 370 918, FBI #435570. He is office manager at Phoenix, Arizona, branch of CAPITOL VENDING, INC. PINE recently completed serving a two-year Federal term, resulting from his receipt of a "pay off" from persons in the Los Angeles garment industry.

HERB FRIED, aka. HAROLD "HAPPY" HELTZER is described as male, Cauc., born 1907, 5'7", 180 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes, CII #297235, FBI #113017. He was a former member of the MICKEY COHEN gang, a burglar, and a narcotics peddler. He is an ex-convict for violation of the U.S. Drug Act.

FRIED is the location man in Los Angeles, and is assisted by his [redacted], who is a Merchant Seaman and frequently ships out. "HERBERT" is also assisted by [redacted] who is active as a clerk and stenographer in the office.

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[redacted] aka. [redacted] is described as male, Cauc., born [redacted] 5'11", 170 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes, CII #[redacted] FBI [redacted]

[redacted], aka. [redacted] and [redacted] is described as female, Cauc., approximately 44 years old, 5'6", 120 pounds, brown hair, brown eyes. She has no known criminal record.

The Los Angeles Office is said to have a branch office at Vacation Village, Mission Beach, San Diego, where one, [redacted] however, HERB FRIED is reported to make bi-weekly trips to San Diego to pick up the proceeds.

The law firm of PACHET, ROSS, HARNE, and BERNHARD, 8535 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, are the attorneys for CAPITOL VENDING, INC., Los Angeles and San Diego.

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RONALD JOEL YARAS is described as male, Cauc., born May 13, 1937 in Chicago, Illinois, 5'10", 165 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes. RONALD appears in the report as vice president of CAPITOL VENDING, INC., however, information from Phoenix, Arizona, indicates that the YARAS brothers are no longer connected.

RONALD YARAS is presently living at the SHERIDAN SHORES BUILDING at 5815 North Sheridan Road, Chicago. He listed his address as c/o [redacted] YARAS is also registered as an officer in the BUSCO-RENT-A-CAR SYSTEM in Miami, Florida. b6 b7C

LEONARD YARAS is described as male, Cauc., born June 21, 1940, in Chicago, Illinois. He was formerly the treasurer of CAPITOL VENDING, INC. His pink and white 1963 Oldsmobile, Illinois license PU1515, is registered to 8042 North Knox Avenue, Skokie, Illinois. He is a registered director of the A-1 INDUSTRIAL UNIFORM CORPORATION, 1217 North Oakley Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

RONALD and LEONARD YARAS are both sons of DAVID YARAS, FBI #655607, described as male, Cauc., born November 7, 1912, 5'9", 175 pounds, brown hair and blue eyes. He is well connected in the Chicago underworld and has numerous arrests for robbery and burglary.

GELLMAN MFG. CO., INC. is a Chicago outfit which is a large distributor of meat and bread wrapping machines.

AMCO MUSIC & VENDING, INC., 5403 East Slauson Avenue, Los Angeles, telephone 683-7673, is a subsidiary of GELLMAN MFG. CO., and is reported to be having a problem in San Diego where [redacted] (phonetic) is running a half-million dollar operation for AMCO. b6 b7C

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We received information in October, 1963, that AMCO is taking over the TOWN & COUNTRY SOUND SYSTEM, 1145 Pacific Boulevard, Long Beach, and that they are in the process of taking over all background music systems and related equipment, parts, etc.

AMCO currently has an exclusive five-year contract with Los Angeles County for machines located in all County facilities; however, the machines have been boycotted and has not been a paying proposition. AMCO is now attempting to break the contract with the County. AMCO is an exclusive distributor of Seeburg machines.

Mid-States Jaguar;
Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc.
870 North Clark

In connection with the above-captioned companies, the subject, DAVID YARAS, has been observed to drive automobiles registered with the above companies when in Chicago. The cars driven by YARAS in Chicago were bearing dealers license plates to the above firms.

On August 13, 1963, [redacted] Assistant Operating Director, Chicago Crime Commission, made available a letter directed to Mr. [redacted] President, Central Home Loan Bank of Chicago, containing a review of their file concerning persons identified with the Midtown Savings and Loan Association. This letter was dated March 12, 1963. The following is quoted from this letter in answer to Mr. [redacted] request of the Chicago Crime Commision.

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"In a memorandum of June 8, 1961, it is reflected that a Loop bank made inquiry concerning HAL OPPER, [redacted] the Mid West Triumph Distributors, Inc., distributors of the imported Triumph cars. It appeared that OPPER [redacted] had purchased controlling interest in the Guaranty National Bank and Trust Company (formerly Southmoor Bank, which received so much unfavorable publicity in connection with the embezzlement by ORVILLE HODGE, then State Auditor.) [redacted] was referred to as a Pontiac dealer with possible hoodlum connections.

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"In a memorandum of April 12, 1962, information is set forth that HAL OPPER and [redacted] went to a large bank on the west side of Chicago seeking a line of credit of $750,000 in connection with the operation of the Mid West Triumph Distributors, Inc., and the Mid States Jaguar, 879 North Clark Street. They informed the bank that they had a credit line at the South East National Bank but wanted a larger loan line. OPPER stated that if he could not get a loan at the bank he was propositioning, he would go out and buy a bank of his own. It was indicated that he and [redacted] had the controlling interest in the Guaranty National Bank and Trust Company (formerly the scandal-riddled Southmoor Bank), but that they had disposed of their interest.

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"In a memorandum of April 19, 1962, information was received that HAL OPPER, president of the Mid West Triumph Distributors, Inc., 879 North Clark Street, was seeking $75,000 of life insurance with his wife as the beneficiary.

Mr. [redacted] Secretary of State's Office, Corporation Division, State of Illinois, made available corporate records of the Mid States Jaguar Limited, which revealed the following information:

This corporation was incorporated on June 30, 1961, by the following incorporators:

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[redacted]
134 North La Salle
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted]
134 North La Salle
Chicago, Illinois

DONALD A. MITCHELL
134 North La Salle
Chicago, Illinois

The registered Agent is DONALD A. MITCHELL, of the above address.

The officers of this corporation are as follows:

President, HAL OPPER, 7744 South Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois b6 b7C

Secretary, DONALD A. MITCHELL, 134 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois

Treasurer, HAL OPPER, 7744 South Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

The Directors of this corporation are HAL OPPER, [redacted] and DONALD A. MITCHELL, of the above addresses.

[redacted] is a notary public employed by Mid-States Jaguar Limited. Her commission was renewed on August 30, 1963, at which time her address was [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. Her sureties were listed as [redacted] and [redacted]

CG T-19 advised on May 8, 1961, that Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc., is located at 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, and its officers are: HAL OPPER, President; [redacted]; SANDRA OPPER, Secretary; [redacted] Assistant Secretary.

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This company operates as Midwest sales outlet for Triumph automobiles and also services and retails parts for these cars. The company's territory covers the Midwest.

With reference to the officers, CG T-2 advised that HAL OPPER is native born, 1919, and is married. He was sales manager of Arrow Motor Sales for several years prior to becoming owner of All State Motors. From 1941 to 1943, was partner in Phil's Motor Sales. From 1941 to 1945, he was partner in Cottage Grove Auto Sales. Presently he is president of Nationwide Rentals Company, Inc. of Miami Beach, Florida. He is also shown as president of Nationwide Motors, Inc., and HAL OPPER Plymouth, Inc.

[redacted] -- native born, 37, and married. Previously [redacted] Lincoln Park Buick for 2½ years and [redacted] Standard Motors, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, for 2 years. Active in auto sales for over 15 years. b6 b7C

SANDRA OPPER -- native born and 38, is wife of company president. She is not reported active in regard to business and is a housewife.

[redacted], born [redacted] is married and a native of Chicago. He has been associated in this line all of his adult life.

Intelligence report, Chicago Police Department, reflects that [redacted] were married on September 2, 1961, at St. Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church, North Avenue and Lathrop Avenue. This report sets forth a list of license numbers of vehicles observed at this wedding, including the following:

Illinois license # CW-9039, on a 1960 T-Bird, registered to Midwest Triumph Distributors, 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Illinois license # DL-3952-E, on a T-Bird, registered to Midwest Triumph Distributors, 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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CG T-10 furnished the following on October 21, 1963:

The officers of this corporation were listed as follows:

HAL OPPER, President
[redacted]
SANDRA OPPER, Secretary
[redacted]

The directors of this firm were the same as listed above excluding [redacted] Volume of sales in retail and wholesale automobiles of this firm has been considered profitable and steady; however, debts are in excess of net worth and on April 22, 1963, a heavy condition existed. This business purchases from numerous sources of supply and in the past high credits have been accorded up to $25,000 and have been met within specific terms. Total assets were listed at $1,258,636. Net sales for March, 1962 through September, 1962, were $4,184,061. Net profit after taxes was $105,701. Net worth of the corporation is listed as $3,775,284.

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The parent company, Amco Industries, Inc., has not guaranteed nor endorsed the obligations of the subject company. Other inter-company relations were not determined but service charges are handled on regular terms.

The records of the Municipal Court of Chicago Illinois, show that on January 22, 1963, a judgment, ex-parte, was entered against Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc., and HAL OPPER for $2,000 in favor of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, but that judgment was vacated on February 8, 1963. The defendants entered a counterclaim for $2,000 and the case has been set for trial on April 11, 1963.

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This company retails new and used automobiles and also acts, at a wholesale level, as the midwest distributor for the Triumph automobile. Their territory for retail sales is restricted to the greater metropolitan area of Chicago, and wholesale accounts are limited to the midwestern states area. Contracts are sold on a recourse basis to local financial institutions.

The company's facilities share space in a one-story brick building located in an outlying commercial district with substantial parking lot area. The total space available is in excess of 40,000 square feet and the premises are well maintained.

This firm was chartered in the State of Illinois on March 16, 1960 with an authorized capital of 1,000 shares at $100 per value common stock. All shares have been issued. All of the outstanding capital stock of this corporation was acquired by Amco Industries, Inc., 1700 First Street, Rock Island, Illinois, on July 30, 1962.

During the course of another investigation it was ascertained that [redacted] aka [redacted] Amco Music and Vending. According to information received from Chicago, he lived at [redacted] Illinois. At one time, he was [redacted] the Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc., 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. This business held a triumph Distributorship Franchise and handled at least one other type of foreign car. Several months ago, on another investigation, it was disclosed that GUS ALEX, was on a loading dock in Kenosha, Wisconsin during November, 1961, when a foreign ship was discharging Triumph Company. His interest seemed to indicate an investment in that company. GUS ALEX, FBI #4244200, is a former member of the CAPONE syndicate and a prominent syndicate hoodlum.

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[redacted] Mid-States Jaguar Limited, 870 North Clark Street, furnished the following information to SA JOSEPH H. SHAVEL on April 4, 1962:

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Records of this company reflect that on December 18, 1961, JOSEPH PAUL GLINCO, 620 Selbourne Road, Riverside, Illinois, purchased a new 1962 Jaguar XK-E roadster model, #333, SN 875627, engine number R-1696-9, opal bronze in color with white side wall tires and wire wheels. GLINCO received a dealer price of $4,354.12 on this automobile.

On the sales invoice there is a notation which indicates this automobile was paid by "check". The identity of the salesman who handled this transaction is not shown in the company records. Receipts of this company reflected that GLINCO gave a check drawn on a Chicago bank in the amount of $5,000 to Mid-States Jaguar Limited on November 15 or 16, 1961. The maker of this check is not shown in the records. This check was deposited by Mid-States Limited in their account at the Southeast National Bank, 1108 East 63rd on November 16, 1961.

New Lawndale Restaurant
3714 West Roosevelt Road

At present this restuarant is closed; however, in the pase it has been the scene of numerous gambling operations. CG T-4 advised on February 11, 27, 1964, that he believed the New Lawndale Restaurant was one of the biggest gambling centers in the immediate area and that horse bets were made at this restaurant either in person or by telephone.

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For a number of years the New Lawndale Restaurant has been the headquarters for LEONARD PATRICK, who controls a large gambling operation and is allegedly a syndicate figure. PATRICK and DAVID YARAS have been close associates and on some occasions, business partners, for many years. CG T-5 [redacted] and present were DAVID YARAS, his son RONALD, LEONARD PATRICK, LOUIS TOM DRAGNA, and NICOLO LICATA. DRAGNA and LICATA are reportedly La Cosa Nostra members. b7D

There is no information of record that links the subject with the ownership of the captioned restaurant; however, he has been known to frequent this restuarant on numerous occasions while in Chicago, and is a close associate, of LEONARD PATRICK and his associates who use the restaurant as their headquarters.

Gerald Motors
8201 North Cicero Avenue
Skokie, Illinois

There is no information of record to indicate that DAVID YARAS has ownership interests in the above-captioned firm, that is known to the Chicago Division.

According to the records of the Chicago Crime Commission as made available on August 13, 1963, the Gerald Motors was [redacted] who is the brother of [redacted] of Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc. [redacted] was allegedly in partnership with [redacted] in the Midwest Triumph Distributors and allegedly sold this partnership to HAL COPPER. HAL COPPER and [redacted] have both been known as close friends and associates of DAVID YARAS. As previously mentioned, YARAS has used automobiles registered to Mid-States Jaguar and Midwest Triumph Distributors. b6 b7C

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An article appearing in the "Chicago Daily News" January 3, 1953, in connection with the investigation of the ambush shooting of JAMES M. RAGAN a racing news operator who had resisted the syndicate, the article noted that RAGAN had an apartment with HERSHEY H. COWIN, who was described as a fence lieutenant in the hoodlum organization of LEONARD PATRICK, who was being sought for the killing of RAGAN. The article pointed out that COWIN was a partner in the Reliable Products Company, a custom jewelry and novelty firm, 4047 Roosevelt Road.

Again there is no known record that would link the subject with the ownership of Reliable Products; however, he has been indirectly linked to the company through his close association with LEONARD PATRICK, who is believed to be the hoodlum dominator of this company.

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Capital Vending, Incorporated
1122 South LaCienega Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

In connection with another investigation conducted by the Los Angeles Division, the following was obtained on April 18, 1964, concerning the captioned firm:

JOSEPH KESSLER, who is commonly known as JACK FINE, 5719 Clemson Street, Los Angeles, was interviewed at his place of employment, Capital Vendors, Incorporated, 1122 South LaCienega Boulevard. KESSLER was advised by SA [redacted] that he need not make any statement and anything said by him could be used against him in a court of law. KESSLER was advised of his right to an attorney prior to being interviewed.

KESSLER stated he was convicted for bookmaking in Los Angeles about seven years ago, and he had had no connection with bookmaking activities or gambling activities since that time. He stated he is acquainted with [redacted] although they are not close friends. He is aware that [redacted] operates the Southern California Sports Service but KESSLER has no knowledge of this operation and has never utilized this service. He stated he is acquainted with [redacted] who resided with [redacted] when KESSLER was serving time on a Federal sentence in 1961 and 1962. KESSLER claimed he can provide absolutely no information regarding gambling activities. He stated that he does not have any connection with a catering service and the only business activity in which he is engaged is Capital Vendors.

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KESSLER stated he is presently acting as General Manager of Capital Vendors having succeeded HAROLD MELTZER in this position. He claimed MELTZER no longer has any connection with this company, and he is unaware of MELTZER's current activities. KESSLER related that Capital Vendors presently have practically no business inasmuch as they are unable to obtain locations for their cigarette machines. He stated the company presently has a few cigarette machines and one jukebox located at restaurants in the Los Angeles area. He stated the company presently has only one employee besides himself and one service truck. KESSLER

continued that a few months ago, Capital Vendors were negotiating to go in with Amco Vending Company in Chicago; however, Amco wanted too much money. He claimed the only connection Capital Vending has with Amco is that Capital purchases all their machines from Amco which firm distributes Seeburg Vending Machines. KESSLER stated that Capital Vending was originally incorporated in Arizona and later was incorporated in California. KESSLER claimed to have no knowledge of the Arizona corporation, which, according to him, is now defunct. He claimed to be unaware of the ownership of Capital Vendors in Los Angeles. KESSLER stated he has heard of the Tucson Vending Company, Tucson, Arizona, which company reportedly buys all their machines from Amco. KESSLER claimed he does not know whether CHARLES BATTAGLIA runs the Tucson Vending Company.

KESSLER advised he was born September 2, 1915, in New York City, New York, and he grew up under the name JACK KESSLER. He stated that when he moved to Los Angeles, he became known as JACK FINE. He stated he never knew that his true name was JOSEPH KESSLER until he applied for a birth certificate several years ago.

There is no information of record to reflect that DAVID YARAS has any ownership interest in Capital Vending; however, as previously mentioned, he is closely acquainted with the individuals serving as officers of this company. In addition to close acquaintanceship with these individuals, it has been alleged that he has engaged in other business enterprises with these individuals.

Hal Opper Plymouth
9626 Stony Island Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

On May 15, 1964, [redacted] furnished the following information concerning HAL OPPER and his business activities and associates:

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HAL OPPER and his wife, SANDRA, were reportedly sued for $186,000.00 for state or city taxes in connection with the operation of Hal Opper Plymouth, 9628 Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, now defunct.

He further advised it had been reported that one [redacted], Salesman for Jordon Exposition Company, 1545 Taylor, Chicago, Illinois, purchased a Plymouth automobile from HAL OPPER, and OPPER induced a finance company, name not known, to handle papers on the car and said [redacted] was a personal friend. In application for purchase of this car, [redacted] listed [redacted] as relative and OPPER as friend. He also listed [redacted], Chicago, Illinois, as personal reference. [redacted] later claimed he did not know [redacted] later stopped by Chicago Police regarding faulty license plate on car at which time said used name of [redacted] to get credit because he had gone bankrupt under name of [redacted]. At time was stopped by police, [redacted] was accompanied by ROBERT DONNIE BAKER (probably ROBERT BARNEY BAKER). [redacted] advised BAKER is believed to be "muscle man" for JAMES R. HOFFA.

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[redacted] advised the car of LOU FRATTO, also known as LOU FARRELL, [redacted], was observed parked on September 21, 1960, in the vicinity of the home of SAM BATTAGLIA in Oak Park, Illinois.

[redacted] stated Midwest Triumph and Mid-States Jaguar, Limited, have been brought under ownership and management of Amco Industries, Incorporated (Amco), Chicago, Illinois. HAL OPPER is Chairman of the Board and [redacted] Amco. DONALD A. MITCHELL, a Chicago attorney, is a Director and Vice-President of Amco Leasing, Incorporated, a subsidiary of Amco. MITCHELL reportedly represented several top echelon hoodlums in the Chicago area when they sought to obtain a Writ of Mandamus against legitimate garbage collectors in Chicago at time the hoodlum element attempted to take over this business.

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[redacted] advised DAVE YARAS, a former Chicago hoodlum now living in Miami, is believed to have had an interest in Gellman Manufacturing Company, now known as Amco Industries. b6 b7C b7D

He stated records of the United States District Court, Chicago, Illinois, reveal an involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed against Amco Indistries, Incorporated, 7740 South Stony Island Avenue, Chicago, on May 11, 1964, Docket 64B-4542.

DAVID YARAS, also known as, presently resides at 4410 Adams Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, has FBI Number 655697, and is reportedly a close associate of JAMES R. HOFFA. He is reportedly a partner in the Chicago syndicate and is in the vending machine business in Miami.

[redacted] advised he has no tangible evidence to show HAL OPPER and [redacted] are "front men" for hoodlums but believes they are due to their associates. b6 b7C b7D

He further advised he desired to obtain some type of evidence against OPPER and [redacted] which would enable the Triumph and Jaguar Companies in England to bring about the cancellation of the distributorship contracts held by Midwest Triumph and Mid-States Jaguar as he feels the "sharp operator" tactics being used by the dealers which took over after OPPER and [redacted] took control are harmful to the sales of these cars. He added he knows of no Federal violations of law committed by either OPPER or [redacted]. He stated he desired to be informed by the Bureau if any information was available or is developed on OPPER and [redacted] which would be detrimental to them and enable their contract to be terminated for distributorship of Triumphs and Jaguars. b6 b7C

The Louisville Division furnished the following information in connection with Hal Opper Plymouth during April, 1960:

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A used car dealer, specializing in sports cars, had on their lot three Triumph cars which had the Auto Information Disclosure Act label altered. The label, prior to altering, showed the dealer who received the car new as Hal Opper Plymouth, Chicago. These cars were actually received from the Triumph Distributors, 870 North Clark Street, Chicago, by Fall City Auto Imports, Incorporated, 636 East Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky.

In August, 1963, [redacted], Chicago Crime Commission, furnished the following concerning HAL OPPER:

A Plymouth automobile, in August, 1960, was found parked in the vicinity of the home of PHIL ALDERISIO in Riverside, Illinois. (ALDERISIO is a leading figure in the crime syndicate.) A sign in the window of the car, which had no license, indicated that the car had been purchased by [redacted] from HAL OPPER, a dealer at 67th Street and Stony Island Avenue. This Plymouth, as well as ALDERISIO's car, was found this same day parked in the vicinity of the home of SAM BATTAGLIA in Oak Park, Illinois. (BATTAGLIA is referred to as the executioner for the crime syndicate.) WILLIAM "POTATOES" DADDANO was seen leaving BATTAGLIA's home on this occasion. (DADDANO is a leading figure in the crime syndicate.) In checking out the Plymouth in the name of [redacted], the authorities were informed at the Hal Opper Company that the finance company handling thepaper would know more about [redacted] and the deal.

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The finance company records revealed that they did not want the paper on the car because [redacted] had no credit rating, but a telephone call from HAL OPPER induced them to take the paper since OPPER said that [redacted] was a friend of his. On the application for financing [redacted] gave the name of [redacted] a relative, [redacted], a personal friend as HAL OPPER, and a personal reference as [redacted] was later questioned about his car and stated that he bought it under the name of [redacted] because he had once been a bankrupt and could not get credit under his true name of [redacted] At the time he was questioned, his companion in the car was ROBERT "BARNEY" BAKER, North Park Hotel, one of JIMMY HOFFA's muscle men. [redacted] claimed employment as a salesman for the Jordan Exposition Company, 1545 Taylor Street.

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[redacted] LEW FARRELL, alias LEW FRATTO, a hoodlum from Des Moines, Iowa, who used to be in the syndicate in Chicago and a friend of all the big-time hoods in the middle west. [redacted] is FRANK E. FRATTO, also known as "HALF EAR."

When LEW FARRELL came to Chicago from Des Moines, Iowa, in September, 1960, he was met at the airport by [redacted] of the Jordan Exposition Company who arranged for the rental of a car for LEW FARRELL. Later this rented car was seen in the area of SAM BATTAGLIA's home in Oak Park. The car then was driven to the Shoreland Hotel from BATTAGLIA's home. This same day JIMMY HOFFA's Teamsters were holding a meeting at the Shoreland. [redacted] also known as [redacted] drove up to the Shoreland and entered.

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With reference to the [redacted] listed by [redacted] in the records of the car finance company as a personal reference, he claimed on August 3, 1960 that he knew of no one named [redacted] He said that [redacted] of Gerald Motors, up to about two months before [redacted] the firm until HAL OPPER of Hal Opper Plymouth took over as president of the firm.

[redacted] was found to be in partnership with HAL OPPER at 870 North Clark Street, that he was born [redacted] had previously lived in Oberlian Park, Kansas City, Missouri, and had been in the auto business in Kansas City, Missouri. His wife [redacted] knew nothing concerning [redacted] and knew that her husband did not.

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GANGLAND SLAYING OF JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr.

WILLIAM BLOCK
LEONARD PATRICK
DAVID YARAS

Captain [redacted] stated that in his investigation of the RAGEN shooting, a Negro by the name of [redacted] the newsstand at the corner of 39th and State Streets, the location of the shooting of JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr., has identified the police photograph of WILLIAM BLOCK, alias WILLIE MURPHY.

Captain [redacted] stated that WILLIAM BLOCK is a former member of the Purple Gang of Detroit, Michigan, and that he pals around with LEONARD PATRICK, whose Chicago Police number is C-14777, Photograph Number 3812, and who is also a member of the Purple Gang of Detroit. BLOCK and PATRICK are also known to pal with DAVE YARAS, whose Chicago Police number is D-1 4360, Photograph Number 28098, and the arrest record shows that he was arrested in Chicago May 21, 1946. His age at that time was given as 32 years, height 5'8½", and weighing 160 lbs.

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Captain [redacted] feels that the identification made by the Negroes should be given some consideration, and that because of the background, history, and the connection of BLOCK, PATRICK, and YARAS, there is the possibility that these three men may be responsible for the shooting of JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr. DAVE YARAS has previously been mentioned in the JAMES WEINBERG case investigation and is also known as a pal of PAUL LABRIOLA, a subject of the JAMES WEINBERG investigation.

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By way of background information linking PATRICK, YARAS, and BLOCK, it was reported, anonymously, on October 2, 1950, that PATRICK, YARAS, and BLOCK were controlling gambling by lottery jars and were flooding the 35th Police District of Chicago with this activity.

GENERAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATES

CG T-6 advised on March 31, 1958, that the near north areas and north areas are supposed to be under the control of JIMMIE ALLEGRETTI and his lieutenant, [redacted]. He said, however, that another group wields a great deal of influence in this area, and this group has been okayed by GIANCANA. He named this group as PHIL "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO, MARSHALL CAIFANO, [redacted] and OBIE FRABOTTA. He observed that this latter group have agreed to refrain from any participating in sports booking, with the exception that MILWAUKEE PHIL gets a small percentage of the profits in the sports booking operated by LENNY PATRICK and DAVE YARAS. b6 b7C

[redacted] is known to the Miami Beach, Florida, Police Department as a narcotics violator and associate of known jewel thieves, including DAVID YARAS. b6 b7C

On May 12, 1958, [redacted] was interviewed by Agents WILLIAM J. MC CORMICK and ROBERT L. BAKER at Tandall's Restaurant on California and Devon, Chicago.

[redacted] advised that he was not involved in any criminal activities while in Miami Beach, other than the narcotics charge for which he was arrested. He said that he did go to see DAVE YARAS after his arrival in Miami Beach, and that he did so because his fathermentioned that YARAS might be able to find a job for him. He said that he did get to see YARAS very briefly on his first attempt to locate him, but that YARAS gave him the "brush off." b6 b7C

He said that he contacted him two other times by phone, but that YARAS did not help him, and was apparently unwilling to even allow him to ask a favor. He also said that he knew RONNIE YARAS, son of DAVE YARAS, in Chicago, and on one occasion met him in a bar in Miami Beach. He said that he talked to RONNIE on that occasion and RONNIE invited him to his house and suggested that they get together, but that they never did so. He said, however, that on one of his moves, he did borrow a car from the Susco Auto Rental Company, which company is allegedly operated by RONNIE YARAS.

CG T-6 advised that one JOHN CANNATTA, 181 South Lazelle, Columbus, Ohio, represents a group of persons who, in the past, have placed large bets on football games and other sports, with Chicago bookmakers. CANNATTA followed the practice of "laying off" these bets with bookmakers in several cities other than Chicago.

Informant continued that LENNY PATRICK and DAVE YARAS [redacted] b7D PATRICK and YARAS.

CG T-7 advised that the head man as far as the Jews in the "outfit" is one DAVE YARAS, who owns the Susco Rent-A-Car in Miami Beach, Florida. He advised that YARAS is feared by the mob and is one of the top guys. He stated that YARAS is LEONARD PATRICK's boss. He advised that LENNY PATRICK gained notoriety and influence in the union by being one of the participants in the killing of an individual named RAGEN some years ago, at which time RAGEN controlled a wire service which covered the entire country.

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In connection with another investigation conducted by the Los Angeles Office, MILTON ZUCKER MENDE was interviewed on June 12, 1961, at Terminal Island, California, and furnished the following:

For about six weeks prior to Thanksgiving, 1960, MENDE was ill at his Beverly Hills home and attended by Dr. [redacted], San Vicente Boulevard, Beverly Hills. [redacted] stayed at MENDE's home several times during September, October, and November, 1960, the longest time being about two weeks. MENDE recalled taking a trip to Chicago, possibly in November, 1960, via Continental Airlines with [redacted] and [redacted] blonde girl friend, [redacted] The purpose of the trip was to meet DAVE YARAS and discuss purchase of a shopping center at Spring Valley, New York. About that time YARAS wud MENDE were discussing a shopping center at San Antonio, Texas. YARAS is a friend and client of [redacted] b6 b7C On this trip to Chicago, MENDE believes that YARAS and his son, who has an automobile agency in Chicago, picked up MENDE at the airport and he and [redacted] returned to Los Angeles the same night. MENDE denied knowing or meeting anyone named [redacted] or telephoning anyone of that name, and denied any knowledge of instant bonds except that he had already related. He said the name [redacted] and the address [redacted], Chicago, were completely unfamiliar to him. The only persons he knows in Chicago are JACK ARVEY and his son, BUD ARVEY, and a [redacted] the latter two being members of the New York Stock Exchange.

On March 23, 1962, CG T-8 advised that DAVID YARAS was registered at the Tides Motel, Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois, and was driving a white Jaguar furnished for his use by Midwest Motor Sales, Chicago, in which company YARAS allegedly owns an interest.

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TBL:MJD

On September 24, 1962, an individual acquainted with various members of Chicago hoodlum element and has been able to furnish information regarding PATRICK, advised that the Nite Life Lounge, 933 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois, has two entrances, one on Walton and one on State Street. Their operation is female impersonators; plus they have a prostitution operation. The owners are IRA GRUEN, also known as WHITEY, who is [redacted] from the Blackmoor Lounge, and [redacted] This [redacted] does not take a real active part. He comes from very wealthy people. [redacted] is married to a former prostitute who worked in the Blackmoor Lounge. He is about 24 years of age. IRA GRUEN is 39 years of age. When IRA first took over, first purchased the lounge, approximately eight years ago, he had a partner by the name of [redacted] who is associated with LENNIE PATRICK and DAVIE YARAS. When the original partners of this place, [redacted] and IRA GRUEN, took the place they operated strictly with prostitution. They did not have to make any payoff to JIMMIE ALLEGRETTI because of [redacted] close association to LENNIE PATRICK and DAVIE YARAS. Later on [redacted] bought out [redacted] end for approximately $5,000.00.

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CG T-5 advised that he had learned that Capital Vendors, Incorporated, located at 1122 South LaCienega, Los Angeles, California, was owned by the same people who were formerly Seeburg Distributors, who were located at Western Avenue and Armitage, Chicago, in the juke box business. The people operating this company in Los Angeles are "big people from Chicago," and have been in operation according to the informant for about three months in Los Angeles and growth has been phenominal and they already have two large routes which are composed mainly of bars and night clubs.

CG 92-1684
TBL:MJD

From what the informant has been able to determine, he expects this company to grow even bigger and predicts that they will probably take over more bars and night clubs in the Los Angeles area.

Informant also advised that DAVEY YARAS has a cousin in Los Angeles in business as a partner with FRENCHY MEDLEVINE. YARAS' cousin was told to sell out his end of the business in Chicago, the reason unknown.

As a result of information received from the Dallas Office indicating that DAVID YARAS was acquainted with JACK RUBY, alleged killer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, YARAS was interviewed on December 5, 1964, by SA JOHN R. BASSETT, at JOE PIERCE's restaurant, Chicago. YARAS claimed he knew RUBY approximately 30 years ago in Chicago. YARAS claimed that RUBY was a small-time hustler and fight fan and was "positively on his own and not outfit connected." YARAS advised that he had a brother, SAM YARAS, who was connected with the machinery business in Dallas; however, SAM died about seven years ago. YARAS stated that he had not been in Dallas since the death of his brother, and emphatically denied having any relationship whatever with JACK RUBY.

CG T-7 advised that on February 12, 1964, DAVID YARAS met with two extremely "tough" looking individuals at the H and H Restaurant, Chicago, and that this was the third time that he had seen these individuals meeting with YARAS. He stated that both of these individuals are approximately 40 years of age, and he noticed that they were passing papers to YARAS during the meeting.

CG T-7 advised on November 25, 1964, that JACK CERONE, a leading Chicago hoodlum, is behind Vencoa Vending Company, located in approximately the 3200 block of West North Avenue, Chicago. CG T-9 advised that upon visiting this location he ran into the sons of DAVID YARAS.

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CG T-7 advised on December 24, 1964, that one JULIUS LUFMAN, also known as YUDI or JUDI, described as white male, age 46 to 47 years, short, stocky build, weight 190 lbs., who is a close friend of [redacted] the delicatessen located at Western and Devon Avenues, Chicago, is a lieutenant of LENNIE PATRICK and DAVE YARAS, operating the rackets for them on the northwest side of Chicago, particularly the west Rogers Park area. LUFMAN is in over-all charge of "juice," gambling, and bookmaking in these areas. LUFMAN resides at 4839 North Kimball Avenue, Albany Park, Chicago. The informant stated [redacted] at the above delicatessen.

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The informant further added regarding LENNIE PATRICK that PATRICK and his brother, MIKE PATRICK, generally have breakfast each morning at about 9:30 A.M. at Ruddy's Delicatessen located on Peterson Avenue about one mile east of Cicero, Illinois.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Springfield Office furnished the following information:

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES H. GEER:

Mr. [redacted] Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on September 23, 1964, that his file revealed no automobile registered to YARAS in the state of Illinois.

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Mr. [redacted], Supervisor, Driver's License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on September 30, 1964, that driver's license number Y620-1601-2317 was issued to DAVE YARAS, 8042 Knox Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on April 1, 1963. YARAS took the driver's examination on that date, and it is noted that he stated at that time that he had lost his current Florida driver's license. When this license was mailed to YARAS at 8042 Knox Avenue, Chicago, it was returned to the Driver's License Section by the Post Office for wrong address. On May 9, 1963,

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DAVE YARAS applied for a duplicate license listing his address at that time as 1217 Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Sergeant [redacted] Vice Unit, and Commander [redacted] 20th District, Chicago Police Department, 1940 Foster Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, advised on December 10, 1964, that their district covers the Tides Motel, 5235 North Sheridan, Chicago. They stated that they were acquainted with DAVID YARAS and were aware that he formerly stayed at the Tides Motel when in Chicago. They advised that they had recently spent considerable investigative time in the vicinity of the Tides Motel and a night club directly across the street from the Tides Motel in a building allegedly owned by LEONARD PATRICK. They stated that they had not seen or heard of DAVID YARAS being in the area since they had begun their investigation a number of weeks ago.

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Mr. [redacted], Tides Motel, 5235 North Sheridan, advised on December 4, 1964, that he was acquainted with DAVID YARAS as YARAS had stayed at his motel in the past while in Chicago. Mr. [redacted] stated that YARAS had not stayed at the motel for over a year. He stated that he did not know where YARAS was staying when he came to Chicago, but was aware that YARAS had one or two sons residing in Chicago.

Mr. [redacted], Sheraton Chase Motor Hotel, 7300 North Sheridan Road, advised on December 9, 1964, that he had no record of DAVID YARAS having resided at that motel. Mr. [redacted] stated that he had never met DAVID YARAS and did not know him.

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Mrs. [redacted], Mercury Records, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, advised on December 1, 1964, that she was unable to locate any record of RONALD YARAS as having been an employee of Mercury in Los Angeles, or any other location.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois

JAN 21 1965

Title DAVID YARIS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Thomas B. Landess dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

3-Bureau (92-7599)
1-USA, Chicago
3-Miami (92-1047)
(1 - USA, Miami)
2-Chicago (92-1684)

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Chicago, Illinois
JAN 21 1965

DAVID YARAS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Thomas B. Landess dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual familiar with the hoodlum element in Chicago.

Chicago T-2 is an individual who is familiar with leading jewel thieves in the Chicago and Miami areas.

Chicago T-3 is an individual who frequents hangouts of hoodlums in the Chicago area.

Chicago T-4 is an individual who is familiar with gamblers in the Chicago area.

Chicago T-5 is an individual who is familiar with hoodlum matters in the Los Angeles area.

Chicago T-6 is an individual who is familiar with jewel and fur thieves in the Chicago and Miami areas.

Chicago T-7 is an individual familiar with the hoodlum element in the Chicago area.

Chicago T-8 is an individual who comes in close contact with the hoodlum element in Chicago through his business operation.

Chicago T-9 is an individual who frequents night clubs and taverns in the Chicago area and is acquainted with numerous hoodlums.

2-Bureau (92-7599)
1-Chicago (92-1684)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 1/27/65

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FROM : SA VINCENT L. INSERRA

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

~~1/15, 19 - 21/65~~

Titles and File #s on which contacted

~~DAVE YARAS, Aka. AR~~	~~92-1684~~	~~LANDESS~~
~~JAMES ALLEGRETTI, Aka. AR~~	~~92-372~~	~~KEMPFF~~
~~CENTRAL BOOKMAKING OFFICE, APARTMENT 3E, 2309 NORTH COMMONWEALTH, CHICAGO, ILL.~~	~~165-1088~~	~~MAISEL~~
~~ITWI~~		

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

See attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Excellent	Coverage: Same

Personal Data

Can be contacted through telephone [redacted] only if absolutely necessary.

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Landess TOG

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1 - 165-1088
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DAVE YARAS
JAMES ALLEGRETTI

On January 15, 1965, informant advised that DAVE YARAS, a Chicago-Miami area hoodlum was presently in the Chicago area. YARAS reportedly was spending much of his time visiting and conferring with JAMES ALLEGRETTI, who, as of this time, was confined to the Wesley Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

CENTRAL BOOKMAKING OFFICE
APARTMENT 3E
2309 NORTH COMMONWEALTH
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On January 19, 1965, informant advised that [redacted] a Chicago north side bookmaker. [redacted] telephone number [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Informant stated that [redacted] a clearinghouse bookmaking office, telephone number 935-0338. He stated that this clearinghouse receives a complete list of bets called in by approximately 30 north side bookmakers on a daily basis. The clearinghouse location is frequently changed due to the increased pressure put on bookmaking by federal and local authorities. This operation is supervised by RED KUSHNIR for Chicago top hoodlum ROSS PRIO.

On January 20 and 21, 1965, informant [redacted] was able to determine that the clearinghouse bookmaking number was still in operation. b7D

Based primarily on the information furnished by informant which was substantiated through investigation on January 21, 1965, the Central Bookmaking Office, Apartment 3E, 2309 North Commonwealth, Chicago, was raided by the Intelligence Unit of the Chicago Police Department based on a warrant obtained on an FBI affidavit. Arrested as keepers of this bookmaking office were LLOYD PIERONI and [redacted] two well-known north side bookmakers connected with the ROSS PRIO gambling organization. b6 b7C

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RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally 1/26/65 (date) By Telephone _____ (date) Written Communication _____ (date)

Information concerning:

David Yaras

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

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Information furnished was obtained:

- [X] during course of Bureau investigation
- [ ] from informants
- [ ] from complainants or other sources

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Information furnished to: Sgt. [redacted] Intell. Unit, Skokie, Ill. P.D.

Remarks:

Re contacts of Yaras in Skokie.

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Thomas B. Landess
Special Agent

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO 92-1684 DATE: 2-10-65

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD 92-693 (RUC)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS aka.
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Reurlet dated 12-28-64.

On 2-10-65, [redacted] Clerk, Corporation Department, Secretary of State Offices, Springfield, Illinois, made available the following information to IC [redacted].

Check of files failed to reflect Reliable Products, as presently being incorporated in State of Illinois, this company was at one time, however it was dissolved 12-20-44.

Check of files failed to reflect Midwest Triumph Co, as being incorporated in State of Illinois. However records were located on a Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc., Chicago, Illinois, information as follows. b6 b7C

Articles of Incorporation of Midwest Triumph Distributors, Inc., were filed with Secretary of State Corporation Division, on 3-16-60 and Certificate of Incorporation #48191 was issued.

Incorporators - HAL OPPER - 9039 Chappell Ave., Chicago, Illinois.
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois.
SANDRA OPPER - 9039 Chappell Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

Address of initial Registered Office - Suite 1632, 33 N. La Salle, Chicago, Ill.

Initial Registered Agent - [redacted]

Duration of Corportation - Perpetual.

Purpose for which organized - Buying, selling, dealing in, servicing, repairing, importing, exporting and otherwise dealing in automobiles, parts, and accessories, and goods, wares, and merchandise of all kinds, at wholesale and retail.

Authority to issue shares - Corporation authorized to issue 1000 shares of common class stock with a par value of $100.00 per share.

Estimated value of property - $50,000.00

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Estimated gross amount of business to be transacted by Corporation during following year will be - $50,000.00.

1964 Annual Report received and filed 2-17-64, Officer executing report, [redacted].

Address of Registered Office - 134 N. La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois.

Registered Agent - DONALD A. MITCHELL

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Officers - HAL OPPER - President, Treasurer, Director,
7744 S. Stony Island, Chicago, Illinois.
[redacted]
7744 S. Stony Island, Chicago, Illinois.
[redacted]
7744 S. Stony Island, Chicago, Illinois.

Brief character of business - To operate automobile distributorship.

Amount of stated capital - $50,000.

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)(RUC)

DAVID YARAS, AKA.,
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(OO:Miami)

Reference report of SA THOMAS B. LANDESS dated 1/21/65.

The following investigation was conducted by SA's GERHARD MAISEL and THOMAS B. LANDESS at Chicago, Illinois on February 2, 1965:

[redacted] Phone [redacted] furnished the following information concerning her knowledge of the subject, DAVID YARAS, during an interview in her apartment:

[redacted] resides at the above address with [redacted] and is employed at [redacted]

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[redacted] RONALD YARAS for the past two years, [redacted] and is not well acquainted with the YARAS family. [redacted] has only seen DAVID YARAS on two occasions and one of those was at [redacted] RONALD. [redacted] does not mention DAVID YARAS at all and [redacted] is in no position to have any knowledge of his travels in and out of Chicago or who he contacts when in Chicago.

[redacted] concluded that she would be glad to assist the FBI if she were in a position to do so.

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1 - Chicago
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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 2/18/65

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

2/10/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

GAMBLING MATTERS	
DAVID YARAS	92-1684
LEONARD PATRICK (Report)	92-374
A-1 LAUNDRY BRAVOS BROS	92-1297
[redacted]	165-459

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

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Report & assign

[redacted]

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Very good	Coverage: Hoodlums

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Informant furnished the following:

DAVID YARAS and LEONARD PATRICK definitely share ownership of the A-1 Laundry, [redacted] (LNU) in partnership with NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS. YARAS visits the laundry at least once a month and PATRICK is there more often, possibly using it as a meeting place. The laundry does an $18,000 a week business. b6 b7C

A possible number of a large "office" is 382-7772.

The B & B Restaurant, Bernard and Petsrson, [redacted] has a 6 for 5 gambling operation with payments made there daily. b6 b7C

[redacted] has a friend named [redacted] who, like [redacted] handles shoplifted merchandise. b6 b7C

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 2/25/65

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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OO: Miami

Re Chicago letter to Miami, dated 2/16/65.

Miami notes that referenced letter places this matter in an RUC status, Chicago Division.

There are several outstanding leads on this case to be conducted in the Chicago Division, as reflected in Miami reports and other communications.

Regarding the interview of [redacted] reflected in referenced letter, it is requested that she be re-interviewed regarding the following:

1. [redacted] RONALD YARAS [redacted] is well acquainted with the family. Therefore, it is requested that the address of RONALD YARAS and LENNIE YARAS in Chicago be ascertained.

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2. It is noted that a source at the Venetian Isles Motel, Miami Beach, has stated that DAVID YARAS was in almost daily contact with RONALD YARAS during the latter's visit there. Information is desired from [redacted] as to her knowledge of RONALD YARAS' contacts with DAVID YARAS, and as to the purpose of the visit to Miami.

3. What type of vehicle does RONALD YARAS utilize while in Miami.

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4. What mode of transportation was taken from Chicago to Miami by RONALD YARAS.

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5. Specifically, what business is RONALD YARAS and LENNIE YARAS engaged in, in Chicago.

6. How often does RONALD YARAS travel to Miami, and is he closely connected with his father in his business ventures.

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Date: 2/27/65

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-466)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-615)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES TOP HOODLUMS
CHICAGO DIVISION
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The following activity was noted at the Thunderbird Motel, Miami Beach, Fla., on the dates indicated by SAs RALPH R. HILL, JR., and EUGENE MC KINNEY:

February 25, 1965 - 9:15 P.M. - JAMES "COWBOY" MIRRO, FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL, JAMES "TURK" TORELLO, JOSEPH WALAN,

6 - Chicago
(1 - 92-917) (CHARLES ENGLISH)
(1 - 92) (TORELLO)
(1 - ~~92-) (SPADEVECCHIO)~~ DAVE Yaras
(1 - 162-) (WALAN)
(1 - 92-927) (MIRRO)
8 - Miami
(1 - 92-585) (ENGLISH)
(1 - 165-148) (WALAN)
(1 -) (ROSENTHAL)
(1 - 92-112) (RICCI)
(1 - 165-10) (LAFF)
(1 - 165-493) (CHARLES KATZ)
(1 - 92-1047) (YARAS)

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

observed in the coffee shop of the Thunderbird with their families. At about 10:15 P.M., this group, without the families proceeded to the card room of the Thunderbird, where they were joined by ANTHONY RICCI and several other unidentified hoodlums. They appeared to be engaged in a discussion.

February 26, 1965 - 10:35 A.M. - CHARLES ENGLISH and wife observed in the lobby of the Thunderbird. SA HILL inquired of ENGLISH as to why he had not yet returned to Chicago as he advised he was going to do on the night on 2/24/65, and he advised that his wife caught the flu, necessitating a delay in departure. ENGLISH was later joined by ANTHONY RICCI, and two individuals, the first one described as 6', Italian, medium build, gray hair, 55-60 years of age, and the second one described as 5' 5", stocky, swarthy, Italian, late 20s - early 30s. The above two proceeded to the Ocean Shore Motel, between the Thunderbird and the Golden Nugget, and entered room number 4.

February 26, 1965 - 1:50 P.M. - "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL, DAVE YARAS and JOSEPH SPADEVECCHIO observed in lobby of the Bayshore Municipal golf course, Miami Beach, obviously in a serious, close discussion. They were joined in a few minutes by HERSHEL LAFF, Miami bookmaker and an individual identified as [redacted] was involved in a search by Buagents in Miami on 2/25/65, for gambling paraphanalia. b6 b7C

BERNARD FRANK, Vice Mayor, Miami Beach, advised SA RALPH R. HILL, on 2/26/65, that [redacted] and LAFF had approached him during the afternoon of 2/25/65, desiring advice as to whether or not it is permissible to search a person during the execution of a search warrant. FRANK referred them to [redacted]

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1210) 3/8/65

SA VINCENT L. INSERRA

WILLIAM GOLDSTEIN, Aka.
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On 3/2/65, Lieutenant [redacted], Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department, advised that he presently [redacted] WILLIAM GOLDSTEIN, Aka. Bill Gold. [redacted] stated that [redacted] various currency exchanges which includes the one at Lincoln Avenue near Foster and at 3621 West Irving Park.

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He added that [redacted] the newsstand at Grand and Rush for BILL GOLD, [redacted]

Lieutenant [redacted] added that He also heard that GEORGE RAFT, the movie actor, reportedly has a gambling interest in the Bahamas with DAVE YARAS.

1 - 162-394 (KUSHNIR)
1 - 92-1684 (YARAS)
1 - 92-1572 (GAMBLING IN THE BAHAMAS)

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A I R T E L

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1040)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-767) (P)

JOHN PHILLIP CERONE, aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Following activity observed at Bayshore Golf Club, Miami Beach, Fla., by SAs EUGENE J. MC KINNEY and RALPH R. HILL on 4/5/65, at 8:20 a.m.:

DAVID YARAS and PETE SARNOFF, Manager, Golden Nugget Motel Lounge, observed in coffee shop, accompanied by a white male, age early 40's, 5'10", medium build, swarthy complexion, obviously from Chicago, from tenor of conversation.

JACK CERONE arrived at 8:45 a.m., sat down with group, and at 9:15 a.m. proceeded to the golf course where they were joined by an individual who resembled LOU ROSANOVA and one [redacted] a Miami Beach fireman and golf hustler. [redacted] CERONE, YARAS and the individual described above from Chicago made up a golf foursome and proceeded on the course. b6 b7C

A 1962 Imperial bearing 1965 Florida license [redacted] was observed in the parking lot. This vehicle is of the type described by PCI [redacted] as having been driven by LOU ROSANOVA several days before. This vehicle is registered to [redacted] Miami Beach. b6 b7C b7D

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The only Illinois vehicle observed in the lot was a 1964 Starfire Oldsmobile bearing 1965 Illinois license [redacted]

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Ascertain registrant of 1965 Illinois license [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 4/16/65

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
3/30/65; 4/1/65; 4/7/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVID YARAS	92-1684
GEORGE BRAVOS	92-1297
RALPH PIERCE	92-375
WSTA MATTERS	31-
HOODLUM MATTERS	92-466
LEONARD PATRICK	92-374

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

(See Attached)

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Very good	Coverage: Hoodlums

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Personal Data

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Informant furnished the following information on 3/30/65:

A meeting place of DAVID YARAS, when he is in town, is "Horowitz" Restaurant, Franklin and Van Buren; [redacted] is an old friend. (On 4/7/65 informant advised YARAS [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

JACK KORMAN works an "office" near 83rd and Jeffries and lives within two blocks. KORMAN works for ART MARKEL, who works for RALPH PIERCE.

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[redacted] These girls are working for [redacted]

On 4/1/65 informant advised that on this date [redacted] (see PATRICK and ROCCO POTENZO files). b6 b7C b7D

On 4/7/65 informant stated that GEORGE BRAVOS [redacted] He will now concentrate only on his "juice" interests and the A-1 Lanudry. b7D

Both BRAVOS brothers also have an interest in a plumbing business, name unknown, which is on Lake Street and which now has a contract for work at St. Luke's Hospital. They also acquired a new laundry. plant somewhere on Lake Street because they could not handle the business in their plant on Oakley. They have about 30 Negro girls working for them at both plants.

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The "big" syndicate people have been meeting recently at "The Flame" in Oakbrook on Roosevelt Road, the newest syndicate place.

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CHICAGO:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue to follow and report on the Chicago activities of DAVID YARAS.

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MIAMI:

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Will continue to follow and report on the activities of YARAS in Miami and elsewhere.

- INFORMANTS

IDENTITY	CONTACTING AGENT
MM T-24 [redacted]	SA AUGUST C. KEMPFF
MM T-25 [redacted]	SA JOSEPH G. SHEA
MM T-26 Former [redacted]	SA [redacted]
MM T-27 [redacted]	SA [redacted]
MM T-28 [redacted] (requested), Chicago, Illinois	
MM T-29 Lt. [redacted] Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department (requested)	

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Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: Miami, Florida
Date: 5/7/65

Field Office File No.: 92-1047 Bureau File No.: 92-7599

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Information relating to A-1 Industrial Uniform Co., Inc., Chicago, alleged enterprise of DAVID YARAS, set forth. YARAS continues to devote his daily activities while in the Miami area primarily in confines of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Club, where he has been observed in contact with various hoodlums from Miami and Chicago. YARAS observed at this Club during 3/65 and 4/65, with Chicago top echelon hoodlum JACK CERONE.

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DETAILS:

I. RELATIVES

RONALD J. YARAS

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Date 12/21/64

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[redacted] was interviewed at her residence, [redacted], telephone number [redacted] Present during the interview was [redacted]

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On 12/17/64 at [redacted] File # [redacted]

by SA's HAROLD F. DODGE and [redacted] /mmh/sjh Date dictated 12/21/64

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She was shown photographs of HAROLD MELTZER also known as Herbert Fried of Los Angeles, California, a known acquaintance of DAVE YARAS, but she said that although he looks familiar, she could not recall having ever seen him before.

MM T-28 advised on March 8, 1965, that the following information relates to RONALD YARAS, son of DAVID YARAS:

RONALD YARAS and [redacted] were guests of the Venetian Isle Motel, Miami Beach, Florida, during April of 1964. During this period, RONALD spent most of every day away from the premises in company with his father on business, the nature of which was unknown to the informant. b6 b7C

The informant stated that the two minor children of RONALD YARAS by a previous marriage reside with the grandfather at the latter's home, 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida.

RONALD [redacted] YARAS currently reside at 4120 Kirk Avenue, Skokie, Illinois, and have [redacted]. b6 b7C

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The informant stated RONALD YARAS is an extremely nervous individual; has had two recent nervous breakdowns, and as of early March, 1965, RONALD YARAS was hospitalized at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Chicago for this type of disorder.

On March 16, 1965, MM T-28 advised that RONALD YARAS was released from Mt. Sinai Hospital on March 10, 1965,

and as of that time was in fairly good mental condition. Upon being released from the hospital, YARAS, according to the informant, left for Florida [redacted] on March 15, 1965, accompanied by his family, and planned to spend two weeks at the Venetian Isle Motel, Miami Beach, Florida. The purpose of this trip, according to the informant, was strictly for rest and relaxation. b7D

MM T-29 advised on March 2, 1965, that he had recently learned that RONALD YARAS, with his father, DAVID, and GEORGE RAFT of Hollywood, California, were either considering or had already acquired part of a gambling interest in the Bahama Islands.

Departmental Attorney [redacted] advised Special Agent RALPH E. HILL, JR., on March 10, 1965, that he was in possession of information from an anonymous source, as follows: b6 b7C

RONALD YARAS is described as being a white male, 32 to 35 years of age, and drives a cream-colored Thunderbird.

He was checked in with [redacted] of San Jose, Costa Rica, and [redacted] of San Jose, Costa Rica, at the Venetian Isle Motel, Miami Beach, on February 14 and 15, 1964. YARAS [redacted] San Jose, Costa Rica, and has some connection with Allcrete Products, 720 West 20th Street, Hialeah, Florida. b6 b7C b7D

RONALD YARAS is reported to have [redacted] flight from Miami to Costa Rica, and return to Miami, on January 27, b7D

1964, [redacted] which had been operated by [redacted] who at one time resided at [redacted] Miami Beach. This company has gone out of business.

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Regarding [redacted] described above, this individual has been observed on several occasions during the period of October, 1964 to May, 1965, at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course Clubhouse in company with DAVID YARAS and others.

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II. ASSOCIATES

JACK CERONE
Chicago, Illinois

JACK CERONE has been described by MM T-24 as one of the members of the hierarchy of the organized criminal element in Chicago, and is considered to be close to the top of this group.

On March 23, 1965, at 9:00 AM, JACK CERONE was observed by Special Agents RALPH R. HILL, JR., and EUGENE J. MC KINNEY conferring with DAVID YARAS at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course Coffee Shop. CERONE and YARAS departed shortly thereafter in YARAS' automobile, a 1965 midnight blue Oldsmobile.

On April 5, 1965, at 8:20 AM, the following activity was observed at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, Miami Beach, Florida, by Special Agents HILL and MC KINNEY:

DAVID YARAS and PETE SARNOFF, Manager of the Golden Nugget Motel Cocktail Lounge and known associate of YARAS and other Chicago hoodlums, were in the Coffee Shop of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, and at 8:45 AM, JACK CERONE arrived at the Club and sat down in the Coffee Shop with SARNOFF and YARAS.

CERONE, YARAS, and [redacted] a Miami Beach Fireman, at 9:15 AM, proceeded to the golf course, where they were joined by LOU ROSANOVA, and proceeded to the course itself. LOU ROSANOVA is a close associate of JACK CERONE, and is the operator of the River Woods Country Club of Chicago, Illinois. b6 b7C

On April 8, 1965, Special Agents HILL and MC KINNEY observed JACK CERONE and PETE SARNOFF in the Coffee Shop of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, Miami Beach, at 8:45 AM. At 9:10 AM, DAVID YARAS was observed driving into the Bayshore Club parking lot;however, after a few minutes conversation with SARNOFF, YARAS departed the vicinity of the Bayshore Club.

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BENJAMIN HUSICK was interviewed outside of the Kleene Towel and Linen Supply Company, 1117 - 5th Street, Miami Beach, and advised as follows:

He spends practically all of every week day at the Kleene Company, of which he is President. He is not involved in gambling or any other illicit activity. He is associated with DAVID YARAS as a friend only, and is not in business with him. YARAS is definitely not a part of this business, and he is not aware of the activities of YARAS.

HUSICK knows not of gambling activity of an illicit nature in Miami or its environs, is not involved in it, and is not concerned with it or about it.

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On 3/8/65 at Miami Beach, Florida File #

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by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.:ggr/plm Date dictated 3/9/65

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III. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, Inc.
1217 North Oakley
Chicago, Illinois

It has been previously reported that the A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, Inc., is an enterprise allegedly formed and operated by YARAS and associates in Chicago.

The Springfield Division advised on November 13, 1962, that [redacted] Clerk, Corporation Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised that a check of records reflects Articles of Incorporation for the A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., 77 West Washington Street, Room 1500, Chicago, Illinois, were filed August 7, 1962. The incorporators were listed as GEORGE HRAVOS, 715 North Pulaski, Chicago, Illinois; DAVE YARAS, 8042 Knox, Skokie, Illinois, and HERBERT S. SCHELLY, 2938 West Estes, Chicago, Illinois. The registered agent for this corporation is RICHARD WEINBERGER. The purpose of this corporation is to deal in industrial uniforms and linens, including sale, rental, and laundry thereof. This corporation is authorized to issue 400 shares of common stock with par value of $50.00. b6 b7C

Organizational Setup of A-1 Industrial
Uniform, Incorporated
1217 North Oakley
Chicago, Illinois

Principal Incorporators

GEORGE BRAVOS
715 North Pulaski
Chicago, Illinois

DAVE YARAS
8042 Knox
Skokie, Illinois

HERBERT S. SCHELLY
2938 West Estes
Chicago, Illinois

RICHARD WEINBERGER
Registered Agent

Officers of Corporation

NICHOLAS BRAVO

(Although this individual does not appear on the Articles of Incorporation, he is listed in this position due to the fact that on every occasion that A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., was under surveillance, NICHOLAS BRAVOS was seen acting in the same capacity as his brother, GEORGE BRAVOS.)

Sales Manager
LEONARD YARAS, also known as LENNIE "LITTLE TOE"
(Son of DAVE YARAS)

Operations Manager
[redacted] b6 b7C
Skokie, Illinois

Salesman [redacted]

Salesman [redacted]

Salesman [redacted]

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Secretary [redacted] (GEORGE BRAVOS) [redacted]

Secretary [redacted] also known as [redacted] (last name unknown)

Secretary [redacted]

MM T-25 advised as follows:

On August 31, 1962, MM T-25 advised [redacted] a bar located on the corner of Oak Street and Rush Street in Chicago. He advised that [redacted] normally hangs out in a tavern located across the street from Chicago and Western Avenues.

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On September 11, 1962, MM T-25 advised that on [redacted] he stated that both [redacted] and BRAVOS play golf frequently at the Tam O'Shanter Club [redacted]

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MM T-25 advised on September 20, 1962, that some of the places known to him, which are frequented by GEORGE and NICK BRAVOS, are the Athens Restaurant at Blue Island, Harrison and Halsted Streets, and also the Helas Cafe, located on Halsted Street, Chicago. He indicated that the Helas Cafe is [redacted] who is of Greek derivation, and was a former South Side bookmaker and friend of RALPH PIERCE. b6 b7C

MM T-25 advised on September 27, 1962, that one (first name unknown) BOSTON is an individual who owns a hamburger place located on West Grand Avenue and is a partner of JASPER "JAY" CAMPISE. He stated that this individual is known as "BOSTON" and is a "juice" collector for the BRAVOS brothers.

MM T-25 advised on November 2, 1962, that DAVE YARAS has two sons, one of whom is in the insurance business located on Wacker Drive, who frequents the Executive House. The other son has a Susco Rental Car Company at 215 West Washington Street. This son frequents the Kismet, located next door to the Bistro Club on State Street, Chicago. He advised that both of YARAS' sons are friendly with [redacted], local Chicago jewel thief. He indicated b6 b7C

that DAVE YARAS is a shylock loan man and buys "hot" jewelry, which he fences. He advised that YARAS is connected with the Midwest Leasing Company, 5151 West Madison Street, Chicago.

MM T-25 advised on November 9, 1962, that DAVE YARAS is a close friend and associate of JAKE ARVEY, National Democratic Committeeman, and is also closely associated with SIDNEY KORSHAK, hoodlum attorney. He stated YARAS is well respected in organized crime. He further added that YARAS is also a close associate of PETER EPSTEEN, and that EPSTEEN sends numerous customers to Sunco Rental Car Company to obtain loan automobiles when purchasing new cars.

MM T-25 advised on November 20, 1962, that

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It was also learned that BRAVOS still lives at 715 North Pulaski Road, and apparently [redacted] (last name unknown), whose telephone number is [redacted]. It was learned by the informant that BRAVOS' home telephone number is KEdzie 3-7231. [redacted]

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MM T-24 advised on October 22, 1962, that DAVE YARAS and NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS are associated in the operation of the A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., and that TOM SMITH, also known as "JUKE BOX SMITH", who resides at 20 East Delaware, Chicago, Illinois, frequently associates with YARAS and the BRAVOS brothers.

MM T-26 advised on November 19, 1962, that he had heard through individuals in the industrial laundry industry that two hoodlum-connected individuals named GEORGE and NICK BRAVOS had entered the industrial laundry business and were operating the A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., at 1217 North Oakley. He advised further that he had heard that these individuals had unlimited funds at their disposal, and were in a position to use their hoodlum and political connections in the City of Chicago to build a rapidly expanding business. He advised that NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS had the reputation of being the two largest bookmakers in Illinois; however, are now concentrating their efforts in the laundry business. He advised that he had heard that [redacted] b7D A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc. He stated, however, that Industrial Garment Service, the corporation originally run by FRED EVANS, who was killed several years ago, was the hardest hit in the companies so far. He advised that Industrial Garment Service, after EVANS' death, was sold to a legitimate firm, and he had recently learned that some of the employees of the old Industrial Garment Service were now working for A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., and apparently were attempting

to switch old accounts, which they had originally secured for Industrial Garment Service, to A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc.

MM T-26 advised on December 10, 1962, that from information he had from the industry, that A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., was rapidly expanding, particularly in the industrial laundry business connected with automobile agencies in the City of Chicago. He advised he had not heard of any pressure or muscle being applied; however, most of the accounts were switching because of a friendship basis. MM T-26 advised that [redacted] SAM "MOONEY" GIANCANA in the latter summer during 1962, at which time SAM GIANCANA reportedly advised that "we'll be in the laundry business in about one month". He advised that he also heard that GEORGE and NICK BRAVOS were cousins of GUS ALEX, one of the reputed gangland leaders in the Chicago area.

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MM T-26 advised on December 14, 1962, that he had learned that one of A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., top salesmen was one [redacted] He advised that as best he could recall, this individual came from the West Side of Chicago, and was employed many years ago as a driver for the Mary Ann Bakery Company. He further advised he had learned that the Munger Laundry was doing much of A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., flat work, until A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., was completely set up to carry on by themselves. He advised it was commonly thought in the industry that [redacted] Munger Laundry, is actually [redacted] GUS ALEX. He advised that [redacted] prior to his association with Munger Laundry, was a

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[redacted] for many years. He advised that everyone treats [redacted] with great respect, and everyone indicates that [redacted] GUS ALEX. He further advised that he learned that Garfield Linen, located in the vicinity of Division and Cicero, Chicago, Illinois, had made some sort of a deal with A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., which no longer would raid any of their stops. He advised it was interesting to note that Garfield Linen formerly had a partner by the name of [redacted] b6 b7C JACKIE CERONE was closely associated with JOSEPH ACCARADO and SAM "MOONEY" GIANCANA and a power in the Melrose Park area of Chicago. He advised that the Garfield Linen Company is [redacted] being retired from the business several years ago. He advised that Garfield Linen had lost about three to four thousand dollars until they reportedly made some type of a deal with the A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc.

MM T-26 advised he was unable to learn precisely what this deal was, indicating it might have been money involved, or simply based on the old friendship between [redacted] and JACKIE CERONE, which caused A-1 Industrial Uniform, Inc., to respect Garfield Linen's accounts. b6 b7C

MM T-25 advised that A-1 Industrial Uniform Company is having numerous difficulties in installing plumbing and heating equipment needed in the business. They are also having trouble with the City Assessor's Office, which would vitally determine the amount of taxes they needed to pay.

In this connection, MM T-25 said that one [redacted] employed by the City of Chicago Assessor's Office, recently [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] This means that A-1 Industrial Uniform Company will not be on the City Assessor's tax rolls for tax purposes. b6 b7C b7D

He advised that an individual by the name of [redacted] MM T-25 believed [redacted] is an active bookmaker in the Chicago area. b6 b7C

[redacted] DAVID YARAS [redacted] is apparently deeply involved in "juice" with GEORGE, and that GEORGE is making efforts to straighten out the "juice" payments. b6 b7C b7D

He further advised that two former employees of A-1, a [redacted] and a [redacted] gave some depositions in connection with a legal matter in which the BRAVOSes were involved with the Exchange National Bank. NICK BRAVOS was apparently concerned over the fact that [redacted] and [redacted] in their depositions, stated NICK BRAVOS was one of the owners and operators of the business. b6 b7C b7D

He further advised that an individual named [redacted] is an individual that apparently resides with LENNIE and BONNIE YARAS on Oakley Street in Skokie, Illinois. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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[redacted] BONNIE YARAS is the son of DAVE YARAS.

MM T-25 advised he learned that LENNIE's home telephone number was OR 5-1865. He further learned that an individual named [redacted] is closely associated in the operation of BRAVOS' company. He advised that one [redacted] in the Chicago area, the newest being a [redacted] on the northwest corner of Foster and Cicero, is an individual who wants to turn his entire business concerning Industrial Toweling over to A-1 Industrial Uniform Company. He advised that on one occasion NICK BRAVOS [redacted] a gambling associate of his, at [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

MM T-26 advised on June 23, 1964, that NICHOLAS BRAVOS must have some connection with C & B Meats, because CHARLES NICOLETTI, who is connected with C & B Meats, during his soliciting of meat customers has been urging the taking of services from A-1, and in an opposite manner, NICHOLAS BRAVO, while soliciting for A-1 customers, urges the services of C & B Meats. MM T-26 further advised that [redacted] A-1 who formerly worked for [redacted], is attempting to change jobs again because he does not like to be threatened. MM T-26 advised [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

MM T-27 advised on July 7, 1964, that the BRAVOS brothers are faced with the problem of antiquated machinery at A-1, which is badly in need of repair. [redacted] b7D In addition, MM T-27 believes it is possible that the BRAVOS brothers intend to blow up the laundry, collect the insurance, and with the loan they obtain build a new laundry.

MM T-27 advised on July 8, 1964, that the BRAVOS brothers have a loan racket going in connection with their A-1 stops. According to MM T-27, a customer is loaned any amount of money he desires to borrow, at an interest rate of 10% per week until it is paid. The drivers for A-1 who collect the normal A-1 laundry service payments also collect the principal and interest on these loans, and that the same is shown on the bill in separate amounts.

MM T-27 advised on July 14, 1964, that a former employee of A-1 [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] was interviewed at her place of employment, [redacted] on September 12, 1964. She furnished the following information: b6 b7C

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[redacted] at A-1 were NICHOLAS and GEORGE BRAVOS, and that [redacted] NICHOLAS BRAVOS, named [redacted] handled the account work for A-1. [redacted] stated that all of the industrial garment business handled by A-1 is a separate section not connected with the linen section, and she never learned anything about the operations of the garment section. Regarding the linen section, [redacted] limited access or vision to persons entering and leaving the laundry. She stated she is, therefore, not aware of visits by anyone in particular, but knew there was a great amount of visiting and a great number of salesmen and other people in and out of the laundry each day. [redacted] stated she has heard the name DAVID YARAS, and believes she saw him at the laundry on one occasion, although she has no knowledge that he is in any way connected with the management of A-1.

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[redacted] advised that during her employment she was treated with great respect by all persons connected with A-1, and never had any reason to complain, nor did she

ever notice anything which was in any way illegal. Regarding the acquisition of new orders by A-1, [redacted] advised she has no knowledge of the manner in which these orders were obtained, nor can she comment on the salesmen who obtained them, because she knew none of their identities. [redacted] advised she heard no information about the progress being made by A-1, or information that they were intending to sell their company, but stated they did do especially well in obtaining numerous new orders in a very short time. She also advised that to her knowledge, there were no hidden owners of A-1, and she always believed that the BRAVOS brothers were the owners. b6 b7C

MM T-26 advised on July 27, 1964, that A-1 has now obtained the linen business from several large restaurants in Chicago, and is also servicing the Millionaires Club, all of which are good accounts. On August 10, 1964, MM T-26 advised he had learned that A-1 had purchased a new laundry, believed to be on the South Side of Chicago. MM T-26 advised he believes the [redacted] b7D

IV. DAILY HABITS AND ACTIVITIES

It has been reported previously that YARAS, while in the Miami area, spends the majority of his time during the daylight hours, commencing early in the morning, at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course, a publicly-owned golf club which YARAS considers as his headquarters.

On February 23, 1965, SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., observed a 1965 midnight blue Oldsmobile "98", 4-door hardtop, bearing 1965 Florida license 1W-82521, registered to DAVID YARAS, parked in the lot of the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course.

At 2:20 PM, February 23, 1965, YARAS was observed in the Card Room of the Bayshore Club with numerous other unidentified individuals.

On February 26, 1965, DAVID YARAS was observed by SA HILL in the lobby of the Bayshore Club in company with FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL, RICHARD PEARSON, HERSHEL LAFF, and [redacted] This group held a brief discussion in the lobby, and after a few minutes retired to the Card Room. b6 b7C

FRANK ROSENTHAL is a Sports Consultant with Multiple Sports Service of Miami, which allegedly supplies handicapping service to bookmakers throughout the country.

RICHARD PEARSON is a well-known Miami area associate of jewel thieves and burglars.

HERSHEL LAFF is a known Miami bookmaker. b6 b7C

[redacted] of Brooklyn, New York, is a suspected bookmaker, operating between New York and Miami.

The following individuals were observed by SA HILL at 2:30 PM on March 1, 1965, in the Card Room of the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, Florida:

RICHARD PEARSON

FRED "BLABS" ROMASH

FRANK ROSENTHAL

DAVID YARAS

MICHAEL COPPOLA

BERNARD FRANK, Vice-Mayor of Miami Beach, Florida

MURRAY LANG

DAN "DUSTY" PETERS

ROMASH is described as a local bookmaker at Miami, with alleged nation-wide connections.

COPPOLA has been previously described as an associate of YARAS, and is a well-known hoodlum from New York and Miami.

DAN "DUSTY" PETERS is the "Public Relations" head of the Monte Carlo Casino at the Lucayan Beach Hotel, Freeport, Grand Bahamas.

MM T-24 advised that during the evening of March 8, 1965, a dinner gathering was held at Joe Sonkin's, Hollywood, Florida, and among the guests at this gathering were DAVID YARAS, JACK CERONE, VINCENT "JIMMIE BLUE EYES" ALO, PETER SARNOFF, and FRED FELICE.

The purpose of this gathering was unknown to the informant.

VINCENT ALO is a New York and Miami hoodlum closely associated with MEYER and JAKE LANSKY.

FRED FELICE is a member of the New York City organization, now residing in Miami.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
May 7, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 92-1047

Title DAVID YARAS

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Reference Report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

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May 7, 1965

RE: DAVID YARAS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

The following is a characterization of informants mentioned in above-referenced report.

MM T-24 is an individual with a close personal knowledge of the activities of Chicago and Miami hoodlums.

MM T-25 is an individual who maintains daily contact with members of the hierarchy of organized crime in Chicago.

MM T-26 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on the activities of hoodlums who have infiltrated the linen supply business in Chicago.

MM T-27 is an individual whose daily activities enable him to report on the activities of certain associates of DAVID YARAS in Chicago.

MM T-28 is an individual who maintains social contact with members of the YARAS family.

MM T-29 is an individual employed by a local intelligence agency in Chicago, Illinois.

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DAVID YARUS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

RONALD YARUS, son of DAVID YARUS was observed on May 25, 1965, in company of individual who was driving white late model Pontiac sedan, 1965 Illinois License [redacted] The above two were observed leaving the A-1 Laundry at 1217 North Oakley, Chicago, which is reportedly partly owned by DAVID YARUS. b6 b7C

Springfield check Secretary of State's Office for information on license [redacted] and also check driver's license application for registrant of above car.

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 6/4/65

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FROM : SA JOSEPH G. SHEA

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
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Titles and File #s on which contacted

CIP	92-466
LOUIS TORNABENE, FHAM.	147-764
LOUIS ARGER	92-1039
GUS ALEX	92-373
ROSS MILLER	92-1163
LENNIE PATRICK	92-374

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

DAVE YARAS	92-1684
LESLIE KRUSE	92-1037
RALPH PIERCE	92-375
Bombings and Arsons	174-0
Criminal Influence in Hotels, Motels, Night Clubs and Suppliers Thereto	92-1009
Strip Shows	92-1280
Criminal Influence in Public Offices in the Chicago area	C) 92-350 Sub 14

See attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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Informant advised that WILLIE BLOCK, who now resides in both Las Vegas and California and who was a former associate of DAVE YARAS and LENNIE PATRICK when in the Chicago area, was the third individual, with PATRICK and YARAS, who shot JAMES RAGEN, owner of a wire service some years ago. BLOCK, according to the informant, was indicted for the killing and a rifle used in the murder was found in Douglas Park Lagoon, Chicago. Shortly after the murder, BLOCK left the Chicago area.

3/17/65

A I R T E L

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: Miami)

Re Miami letter to Chicago, 2/25/65.

On 3/8/65, [redacted] (Protect Identity), [redacted] advised that she presently works at [redacted] She said [redacted] RONALD YARAS, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted], Miami Beach, Florida, [redacted] She said the YARAS [redacted] at the time. She said she [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that RONALD YARAS [redacted] and she did not know where he was, but presumed he was working somewhere in the Miami area with his father, DAVID YARAS. [redacted] DAVID YARAS and his two sons RONALD and LEONARD were in the vending machine business. She said that LEONARD YARAS is single and resides at 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. b6 b7C b7D

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[redacted] advised that RONALD YARAS drove a late model white car (believed to be an Oldsmobile) [redacted] She said it had Florida license plates. She said she assumed the car belonged to RONALD and [redacted] She said that while she was in the Miami area [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] said that RONALD YARAS and [redacted] presently reside at 4120 Kirk Avenue, Skokie, Illinois, and [redacted]. She said that RONALD and [redacted] returned to the Chicago area in June 1964. She said they left Florida because a business deal in Costa Rica, that RONALD was to be in with his father, did not materialize. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that RONALD YARAS is an extremely nervous person and has had two nervous breakdowns. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

On 3/11/65, [redacted] apartment building at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, advised that his records reflect that LEONARD YARAS resides in Apartment 2408. He said YARAS has resided in the building since July 20, 1963, and is under a lease that expires October 31, 1965. The lease dated 7/20/63, signed by both DAVID and LEONARD YARAS reflects that LEONARD YARAS at that time was General Manager at A-1 Industrial Uniforms, 1217 North Oakley. b6 b7C

On 3/16/65, [redacted] advised that RONALD YARAS was [redacted] and is evidently in a fairly good mental condition. She said that RONALD, [redacted] left for Florida, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

On 3/2/65, Lieutenant [redacted], Intelligence Unit, Chicago Police Department, (Protect Identity), advised that he had heard that GEORGE RAFT, the movie actor, has a gambling interest in the Bahamas with DAVE YARAS.

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Chicago will continue investigation concerning DAVID YARAS.

SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 7/20/65

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

OO: MIAMI

Re Report of Sa RALPH R. HILL, Jr., dated 5/7/65, at Miami.

RONALD YARAS, son of DAVID YARAS, was observed on July 13, and 14, 1965 in the area of the A-1 Industrial Laundry, 1217 North Oakley, Chicago, driving a late model, dark blue Oldsmobile "98" Sedan bearing 1965 Florida license 1W-82521.

Miami in above referenced report sets out that this car is registered to DAVID YARAS.

Chicago is attempting to determine if DAVID YARAS is in the city or why RONALD would be using his father's car. DAVID YARAS has not been seen or reported to be in Chicago.

Miami advise if any information has indicated YARAS to be visiting Chicago.

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS, aka
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Re Chicago letter to Miami 7/20/65.

[redacted] advised on 7/20/65, that he had learned that YARAS recently left the Miami area for Chicago and intends to spend the remainder of the summer there before returning to Miami. b7D

Chicago attempt to locate and ascertain the activities of YARAS. It is noted that the U. S. Attorney in Miami is considering the service of [redacted] for a subpoena to appear before the FGJ, Miami, convening to [redacted] b3 b6 b7C

Chicago should also consider the issuance of a subpoena for [redacted], if located there, to appear before the FGJ in session in Chicago.

Chicago advise Miami if [redacted] located so that this matter may be discussed with the USA.

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1 - Miami
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Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 7/19/65

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-693) RUC.

SUBJECT: DAVID YARUS, Aka
AR

(OO: Miami)

Re Chicago letter to Springfield, dated May 28, 1965.

The following investigation was conducted by IC [redacted] at Springfield, Illinois:

On July 7, 1965, [redacted] Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State Offices, advised that 1965 Illinois license KN 1213 was issued February 9, 1965 to GEORGE BRAVOS, 715 North Pulaski Chicago, Illinois, driver's license Number B612-3001-1066, on a 1965 Pontiac, 2 door, sport coupe, VIN 252375P112087. b6 b7C

On July 9, 1965, [redacted] Supervisor, Driver's License Section, advised a check of records on July 8 and 9, 1965, reflects driver's license number B612-3001-1066 was issued April 6, 1962 to GEORGE BRAVOS, 715 North Pulaski, Chicago, Illinois. This license expires March 4, 1966 and describes him as follows:

Height	5' 9"
Weight	220 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
DOB	March 4, 1911

The file also reflects that a traffic conviction

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was issued in 1962 which reflects BRAVOS' employment as Sober Inc., Lansing, Michigan.

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Date: 7/24/65

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- ☐ S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS
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Re Miami airtel to Chicago dated 7/22/65.

For information of Chicago, YARAS was observed by Bureau Agents at the Bayshore Golf Club, Miami Beach, on 7/23/65, in conference with PETER ARNSTEIN and PETER SARNOFF.

[redacted] advised that YARAS returned to the Miami area on 7/22/65, length of stay undetermined. Informant is of the opinion that YARAS will return to Chicago shortly. b7D

Departmental Attorney [redacted] was advised of the fact that [redacted] had returned to Miami on this date, and stated that inasmuch as the FGJ in Miami is ready to indict [redacted] it will not be necessary to subpoena [redacted] b3 b6 b7C

Above for the information of Chicago.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No 92-1047

Miami, Florida
September 2, 1965

RE: DAVID YARAS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

The following is a characterization of informants mentioned in above-referenced report.

MM T-30 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on the habits and activities of DAVID YARAS while in the Miami Beach area.

MM T-31 is an individual who is able to report on an infrequent basis, the activities of YARAS while in Miami Beach.

MM T-32 is a representative of a Governmental Agency.

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TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
DAVID YARAS, aka	RALPH R. HILL, JR.	dk
	CHARACTER OF CASE	
	AR	

REFERENCE: Miami report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. dated 5/7/65.

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ENCLOSURES: Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Chicago are two copies each of a letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in this report.

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CHICAGO:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue to follow and report on the Chicago activities of DAVID YARAS.

MIAMI:

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MM 92-1047

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to follow and report on the activities of YARAS.

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IDENTITY	CONTACTING AGENT
MM T-30 is [redacted]	RALPH R. HILL
MM T-31 is PCI [redacted]	RALPH R. HILL
MM T-32 is Departmental Attorney [redacted] (Requested)	[redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Miami, Florida
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Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: Miami, Florida
Date: 9/2/65

Field Office File #: 92-1047 Bureau File #: 92-7599

Title: DAVID YABAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: DAVID YABAS observed in Miami Beach 7/23/65. With exception of 7/22 - 24/65, YABAS, according to informants, has spent summer in Chicago. YABAS observed at A-1 Uniform Service, Chicago, 8/24/65. YABAS reportedly has 25% interest in Multiple Sports News Service, Miami, Florida, with MIKE COPPOLA and FRANK ROSENTHAL.

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DETAILS:

I. RELATIVES

RONALD YABAS, son of DAVID YABAS, was observed on May 25, 1965, by Bureau Agents, in company with an individual who was driving a white, late model Pontiac sedan, bearing 1965 Illinois license KN 1213. The above two individuals were observed leaving the A-1 Laundry, at 1217 North Oakley, Chicago, which is allegedly partially under the control of DAVID YABAS.

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Height	5'9"
Weight	220 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Date of Birth	March 4, 1911

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The file also reflects that a traffic conviction was issued in 1962, which reflects BRAVOS' employment as Sober Inc., Lansing, Michigan.

GEORGE BRAVOS has been previously described as a close associate of YARAS, who is involved in bookmaking and shylocking activity in the Chicago area. On August 17, 1965, BRAVOS, President and Director of A-1 Industrial Uniforms, Inc., was arrested by Agents of the Illinois Crime Investigating Commission, and charged with aggravated kidnaping, aggravated assault, and intimidation and conspiracy to commit those crimes. Also arrested in this operation were JOSEPH LOMBARDI, SAM MERCURIO and [redacted]

II. ASSOCIATES

[redacted]

Miami Beach, Florida

[redacted] also known as [redacted], has been previously described as an associate of YARAS who has been seen with YARAS at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, Florida.

[redacted] was interviewed on July 23, 1965, and advised as follows:

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Date 7/27/65

[redacted] was interviewed at the Bayshore Municipal Golf Course Clubhouse, Miami Beach, Florida, after having been apprised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, and of the fact that he need not consent to such an interview.

He advised that he has been employed as [redacted] for [redacted] for approximately fifteen years, and due to his occupation, is able to spend a considerable amount of time in his favorite hobby, golf. [redacted] advised that it was in this manner that he became acquainted with, among others, JACK CERONE and DAVID YARAS. He related that his association with these individuals is strictly that of golfing companion and usually plays several rounds of golf with these persons when they are in Miami. b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that he has no first hand information as to the activities of CERONE or YARAS, but has heard that they "belong to the Mafia".

[redacted] stated that he was unable to furnish any information of pertinence as to the activities or associates of YARAS and/or CERONE.

On 7/23/65 at Miami Beach, Florida File # Miami 92-1047

by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. :mb/dk Date dictated 7/23/65

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MM 92-1047

JOSEPH CHAKOFF

JOSEPH CHAKOFF, alleged associate of DAVID YARAS, was interviewed on June 10, 1965, and stated as follows:

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Date June 21, 1965

JOSEPH CHAKOFF was interviewed by FBI Agents on June 10, 1965, at Miami, Florida, at which time he advised that he resides at 3807 Granada Boulevard, Coral Gables, Florida, and that he was self-employed as a financial consultant. CHAKOFF stated that he has had difficulty in building up his business for his services over the past years and estimated his earnings at $4,000 in 1962 and at about $11,000 at the present time.

CHAKOFF stated that he has been associated with many firms over the years, among which were the Metropolitan Mortgage Company; Mall Mortgage Company; Kent Industries, Inc.; and North American Cigarette Manufacturers, Inc. CHAKOFF stated that his salary is always based on commission for services rendered as a financial consultant.

CHAKOFF advised that he is holding Florida corporation permits for the following corporations, which are not active companies at the present time:

Mall Mortgage Corporation;
Frano Corporation;
Elliott Industries, Inc.;
Elliott Securities Company, Inc.

CHAKOFF said he uses his home address for the above corporations.

CHAKOFF advised that about a year ago he was granted a charter for the Peoples Bank and Trust Company, Limited, Nassau, Bahamas, with U. S. Agency located at 8857 Collins Avenue, Surfside, Florida. He stated the above address was the location of the new Surf Motel which he, CHAKOFF, was using as a business address at that time. CHAKOFF said that he had recently changed the directors of the above named bank, and they are as follows:

On 6/10/65 at Miami, Florida File # Miami 92-1047
SAs [redacted] and
by FRANK J. SMITH:kr Date 6/16/65

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[redacted] Attorney;
[redacted] Attorney;
[redacted] auditor and [redacted]
[redacted] MILO BUTLER, member of Parliament, Nassau, Bahamas.

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CHAKOFF said that he has not been able to open this bank becuase he has had difficulty in securing capital. CHAKOFF stated that he hopes to open this bank sometime in the future when capital is available.

CHAKOFF stated that the only person who he knows of hoodlum background and who was allegd to be a gambler and shylock was AL MONES. CHAKOFF became acquainted with MONES at the Metro Mortgage Corporation in 1959. MONES had a financial interest in the corporation which was dissolved in 1961. CHAKOFF at the time became involved with MONES and claimed he did not know of his reputation; and since 1961 has had no dealings nor has he associated with MONES. CHAKOFF claimed he never engaged in any shylocking activities for himself or MONES while at the Metro Mortgage Corporation. He said that this unfortunate association with MONES in the past has made it difficult for him to overcome this stigma in promoting his services as a financial consultant since then.

CHAKOFF also claims he met DAVID YARAS, an alleged member of the criminal element in the Miami area, but has had no business dealings or association with him. He said he has also met his son, RONNY YARAS.

CHAKOFF stated that he is no longer connected with Kent Industries, Inc., or the North American Cigarette Manufacturers, Inc. He also claimed he never collected any money

from this latter corporation although he was supposed to have been paid $25,000 annual salary for his services.

CHAKOFF stated that he is not acquainted with any high police or political officials with the exception of ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT and has never engaged in being a "bag man" (collector of protection money). CHAKOFF said he once aided in securing a $75,000 loan for ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT a couple of years ago to aid ROOSEVELT in buying his current residence. He received $800 commission for this service. CHAKOFF said he is not a business friend of ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT and does not socialize with him. CHAKOFF said that he has never controlled any funds in any foreign banks for members of the criminal element or anyone else.

CHAKOFF advised that in the past he has had three years of schooling in finance studies at Charron Williams Business College. CHAKOFF stated that [redacted]

CHAKOFF advised that he met BENNIE HUSICK once about a year ago with DAVID YARAS at the Bayshore Golf Course. At this time they wanted him to secure financing for a company that was to make machines which machine combined the features of a juke box and a television. He believed that the name of the machine was Vistascope. CHAKOFF stated that when he was aware of HUSICK's and YARAS' reputation, he told them that he did not want anything to do with the venture.

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CHAKOFF was asked if he was acquainted with MAX EDER, [redacted] and [redacted] and CHAKOFF replied that he was not.

III. GAMBLING

MM T-32 advised on July 2, 1965, that he had learned from an undisclosed source, that DAVID YARAS maintains a 25% interest in the Multiple Sports News Service (MSNS). According to this source, the other interests are held by FRANK ROSENTHAL, MIKE COPPOLA, and a private detective in Miami, who was formerly a Miami police officer.

The MSNS is a service utilized by bookmakers and gamblers throughout the country to obtain "the line" or betting odds on sporting events. The MSNS has been described as one of the largest handicapping services in the country.

MIKE COPPOLA has been previously described as a close associate of YARAS. Both COPPOLA and ROSENTHAL have been observed at the Bayshore Club by Bureau Agents in the company with YARAS.

IV. DAILY ACTIVITIES

Observation of the YARAS residence at 4410 Adams Street, Miami Beach, Florida, during the months of June, July and August, 1965, did not reveal the presence there of DAVID YARAS, nor has his automobile been observed.

MM T-30 advised on June 22, 1965, that YARAS had not been seen in the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, during the month of June, and he supposed that YARAS at that time was in Chicago.

On July 13 and 14, 1965, RONALD YARAS, son of DAVID YARAS, was observed by Bureau Agents in the vicinity of the A-1 Industrial Uniform Service, 1217 Oakley, Chicago, driving a 1965 Oldsmobile, bearing Florida license 1W-82521, which is registered to DAVID YARAS, 4410 Adams, Miami Beach.

MM T-30 advised on July 24, 1965 that DAVID YARAS had been in Miami Beach, at the Bayshore Club, on July 22, 1965, and had returned to Chicago the next day. The purpose of YARAS' trip to Miami was unknown to the informant.

On July 23, 1965, YARAS was observed by SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., at the Bayshore Club dining room, Miami Beach, in conference with PETER ARNSTEIN, also known as PETE ARNOLD, and PETER SARNOFF. Both SARNOFF and ARNSTEIN are former Chicagoans now residing in Miami Beach, who are associated with YARAS.

MM T-31 advised on August 11, 1965, that DAVID YARAS returned to Chicago from Miami after being in the Miami area for two days. The informant said that YARAS has spent the entire summer in Chicago, and is not expected back in Miami until some time after Labor Day, 1965.

DAVID YARAS was observed by Bureau Agents at the A-1 Uniform Service, Chicago, on August 24, 1965. He was driving a 1965 Oldsmobile, bearing Florida license 1W-82521.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
September 2, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Title DAVID YARAS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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FROM : SA [redacted] C-2

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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S. ROSA	165-459

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1 - 92-1297
1 - 92-374
1 - 92-1684

1 - 165-459
1 - Tickler, [redacted] Clerk
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Informant furnished the following information on August 25, 1965:

GEORGE BRAVOS has been removed as president of A-1 Laundry. [redacted] b7D

LENNY YARAS was married on August 24, 1965, and left for Los Angeles and Las Vegas for twelve days. The wedding was a quiet family affair.

GEORGE BRAVOS is one of the biggest or the biggest juiceman in Chicago.

LEONARD PATRICK and DAVID YARAS [redacted] during this baseball season. They had operated the six biggest "offices" in the city. They have closed four of the six and one of the two still open [redacted] Bets are now limited to a minimum of $50.00. Customers calling in now are identified only by number. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] who had an "office" of his own, [redacted] this baseball season and closed down. b6 b7C b7D

GUSSIE MEYERS and his partner, "NEEDLES" GIANOLA [redacted] and closed for one week. They have now re-opened. b7D

SAM ROSA and [redacted] have problems at "J.J.'s. The landlord, owner of the Sheridan Plaza Hotel, is trying to evict them and break their contract so he can sell the hotel to the Government for a Job Corps School. This is now in court. Meanwhile, SAM and [redacted] are trying to open a new place where the old "PATRICK HENRY" used to be, on Wilson under the "El." b6 b7C

8/25/65

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

Re Miami airtel to Chicago dated 7/24/65.

YARAS observed at A-1 Laundry, 1217 North Oakley Avenue, Chicago, accompanied by sons, LEONARD and RONALD on 8/24/65. YARAS is driving his dark blue Oldsmobile (Florida license 1W-82521).

RONALD YARAS was accompanied by a small boy believed to be [redacted] who resides with DAVID YARAS in Miami. b6 b7C

YARAS is believed to be staying with his son, LEONARD, at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Apartment 2408, Chicago.

For information Miami, GEORGE BRAVOS, President and Director of A-1 Industrial Uniforms, Inc., and a partner of YARAS in A-1, was arrested 8/17/65 by Agents of the Illinois Crime Investigating Commission (ICIC) and charged with aggravated kidnaping, aggravated assault and intimidation and conspiracy to commit those crimes. Also

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arrested in the same "juice" operation were JOSEPH LOMBARDI, SAM MERCURIO and [redacted] WILLIE MESSINO was also involved but escaped after having had a shot fired at him. MESSINO surrendered to the ICIC 8/23/65.

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LEONARD PATRICK, close associate of YARAS and the BRAVOS brothers, is being sought by ICIC after issuance of a subpoena for testimony regarding Chicago bombing quiz, but PATRICK's whereabouts are presently unknown.

Chicago is attempting to follow activity of YARAS.

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RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally _____ date By Telephone 8/16/65 date Written Communication _____ date

Information concerning:

David Yaras

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

92-1684

Information furnished was obtained:

- [X] during course of Bureau investigation
- [ ] from informants
- [ ] from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

Lt. [redacted], Ill. Crime Commission

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Remarks:

Info concerning David Yaras' - licensed Fla. IW 82521 - and his being at A-1 Laundry

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Special Agent

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 8/31/65

FROM : SA [redacted] C-2

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact
8/17/65; 8/23/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

SAM ROSA	165-459
ALBERT FRABOTTA	92-689
LEN PATRICK	92-374
DAVID YARAS	92-1684
JAMES ALLEGRETTI	92-372
MIKE GLITTA	165-447
[redacted]	162-454
	31-4989

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

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☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	very good	Hoodlums

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1 - 92-689
1 - 92-374
1 - 92-1684
1 - 92-372
1 - 165-447
1 - 162-454
1 - 31-4989
1 - Tickler, [redacted] Clerk
JWG:dpd (10)

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Informant furnished the following information on August 17, 1965:

ALBERT FRABOTTA, [redacted] and SAM ROSA now own and run "JJ's", a night club next to the former "Guys and Dolls" in the Sheridan Plaza Hotel. Guys and Dolls was closed by ROSA because it wasn't making any money. ROSA also now owns one or more hot dog stands in Melrose Park with his wife as partner and they are probably in her name. b6 b7C

LENNY PATRICK has been [redacted] He also [redacted] b7D

DAVID YARAS was in Chicago last weekend and may still be here. He still makes his contacts when in Chicago, at the A-1 Laundry.

MIKE GLITTA has now completely taken over ALLEGRETTI's operations and will continue to handle same while the latter is in jail. GLITTA's new place on Lincoln Avenue near Foster is called "Ups and Downs".

[redacted] in the baseball "office" and closed up for a time. He and [redacted] have reopened, however, for football. b6 b7C b7D

Gambling

The baseball "offices" lost a lot of money this year. Many closed because they could not get a new bankroll. Those still open and those reopening, and the horse "rooms" still open now charge two percent of all winnings for the "house". This is to defray the added cost of higher salaries and higher police payoffs since passage of the new gambling laws.

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[redacted] of his [redacted] [redacted] to [redacted] (phonetic) or [redacted] (phonetic). He is now out on [redacted] for some kind of case, is in his 30's, blond wavy hair. 5' 10", 180 - 200 pounds, telephone number [redacted]

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Regarding "Jake's Place", there is no Federal liquor tax stamp (A & TTU advised) and [redacted]

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There is a large "Barboot" (phonetic) game somewhere in Gary, Indiana. Informant will attempt to locate same.

TFIS

Also in Gary is a regular store which handles all stolen merchandise for Chicago cartage thieves. Lately, within the past year, some entire truck loads have been

taken to Gary, unloaded at the store, and the empty trucks returned to Chicago. Informant will attempt to learn further information re this store.

WSTA

The "Vineyard-a-go-go" (old "Pal Joey's") at 5120 Sheridan is now owned by an Italian and a police officer, [redacted] b7D

On August 23, 1965, informant furnished the following information:

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D Purpose of the meeting is unknown.

10/21/65

AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

OO: MIAMI

Re Miami telephone call to Chicago 10/21/65 and Chicago telephone call to Charlotte 10/21/65.

Mr. ROSS SPENCER, Chief Investigator, Illinois States Attorney's Office, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA THOMAS B. LANDESS on 10/21/65 that upon reviewing the indictment file (indictment number 47-599) regarding the JAMES M. RAGEN, Sr. killing, he was unable to locate the name [redacted] on the list of witnesses. He stated the witnesses were as follows:

[redacted]

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JOHN WHITE (murdered)

Mr. SPENCER contacted States Attorneys [redacted] and GUS BARTELL. Mr. SPENCER stated that [redacted] related that there would not be a chance of a reindictment with regard to YARAS or the other subjects.

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Mr. SPENCER related that GUS BARTELL is the States Attorney who handled the state's investigation with regard to the RAGEN killing and that BARTELL recalled the details of the case. BARTELL stated that there were three Negro witnesses on the corner where the killing occurred. He recalled that one was a minister, name unrecalled, a second was JOHN WHITE, subsequently murdered in another case, and a third Negro male, name unknown.

Mr. SPENCER advised that he did not believe that it would be likely that a reindictment could be obtained for the subjects.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 10/27/65

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]

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Dates of Contact
9/29/65; 10/14, 18, 21/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FIORE BUCCIERI	92-1160
DAVID YARAS	92-1684
ANGEL-KAPLAN	165-1
A. ACCARDO	92-344
ROCCO POTENZO	92-923
POLICE CORRUPTION	92-350 Sub 14
[redacted]	165-NEW
	162-454

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Purpose and results of contact

[ ] NEGATIVE
[X] POSITIVE

See attached.

[ ] Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

Rating: Very Good

Coverage: Hoodlums and Gambling

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Personal Data

Informant is [redacted]

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(1 - 92-1160) (1 - 92-1684) (1 - 165-1)
(1 - 92-344) (1 - 92-923) (1 - 92-350 Sub 14)
(1 - 165-NEW) (1 - 162-454) (1 - [redacted] Clerk)

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JWG:MRO
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[redacted] b7D

Informant furnished the following on September 29, 1965:

[redacted] (ph) is one of about five big bookmakers in Chicago. He may be connected with FIFI BUCCIERI on the west side, but he is definitely operating on the north side of Chicago in and around Rogers Park. He owns a piece of [redacted] a club on [redacted] (See ahead for further information regarding BUCCIERI and [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

DAVID YARAS continues to make regular appearances at the A-1 Laundry along with GEORGE BRAVOS. YARAS was observed by informant picking up his car at the Continental Hotel two weeks ago, but YARAS was not staying at the Continental.

[redacted] is still a big figure in gambling. He has a [redacted] store near [redacted] or near [redacted] His two sons run this place, and [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] who is a telephone company employee, continues to check into suspect offices and instead of reporting them, he tells the bookies to get out by the next day. (Informant has furnished information about this individual in the past.) [redacted] b7D

All of the bookmakers continue to get "the line" from DON ANGLINI of Angel-Kaplan. They call between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Monday morning and the number is ???-2728. To get "the line" the person calling must be at least a $500 better. The work "Bet" is never used on the phone. The term $1 means $100, $2 means $200, 50¢ means $50, etc.

[redacted] b7D

On October 14, 1965, informant furnished the following:

A telephone number used by [redacted] (ph) and maybe his residence is [redacted] (On October 18, 1965, informant advised that [redacted] is the full number used to call in bets.) b6 b7C b7D

A partner of BRAVOS in A-1 Laundry is ANTHONY ACCARDO. Informant does not know how this came about or how much is ACCARDO's, but the latter shares somehow in BRAVOS' "cut." Other with "cuts" are, of course, L. PATRICK and D. YARAS.

On October 18, 1965, informant furnished the following:

Whenever a message is to be sent to GIANCANA, or someone wants to see him and same concerns gambling, the intermediary is ROCCO POTENZO.

[redacted] (ph) has two numbers used for betting, but these may be more than that; maybe clearing house numbers. The numbers are [redacted] and [redacted] Two individuals answering phones for [redacted] are [redacted] and FNU [redacted] (ph). [redacted] father, who is legit., is [redacted] (ph), [redacted] a delicatessen at [redacted] These two individuals may be the phone answerers at [redacted] and [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

FIFI BUCCIERI's meeting place for payoffs is the Sahara North. He meets his group there very late on Wednesday nights. Those meeting him are bookie runners and collectors.

[redacted] b7D

Informant advised on October 21, 1965, that he has heard that two officers on the Chicago Police Department, who warn certain gamblers that "they will be on the street today," (meaning the Gambling Unit) are [redacted] (ph) and [redacted] (ph), both on the Gambling Unit. b6 b7C

Informant advised that the north side gamblers [redacted] and [redacted] group) are [redacted] the Black Angus Restaurant as "offices." b6 b7C b7D

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Date: 10/28/65

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Via _____ (Priority)

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- [ ] CC
- [ ] ASST CC
- [ ] STENO SUP
- [x] C-#1
- [ ] C-#2
- [ ] C-#3
- [ ] C-#4
- [ ] C-#5
- [ ] C-#7
- [ ] S-#1
- [ ] S-#2
- [ ] S-#3
- [ ] S-#4
- [ ] S-#5

TO: SAC, Chicago

FROM: SAC, Miami (92-1047) (P)

DAVID YARAS
AR

[redacted] b7D

[redacted] YARAS was still in Chicago, but was expected back in the Miami area sometime during the forthcoming weekend.

Chicago advise of the status of YARAS; attempt to cover travel.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: October 26, 1965

FROM : SA CHARLES E. BRUNNER

☐ CI ☐ SI ☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐

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SUBJECT: [redacted]
PCI

Dates of Contact
10/7 and 14/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

~~CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM~~ DAVE YARAS	~~92-466~~ 92-1684
WSTA CONTROL FILE	31-4989

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

(See Attached.)

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Very Good	Coverage: Same

Personal Data
No Change.

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1 - 31-4989
1 - [redacted] Administrative Tickler
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[redacted] b7D

On 10/7/65, PCI advised that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

PCI stated [redacted]

On 10/14/65, PCI advised [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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Date: 11/2/65

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Via AIRTEL _____
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- ASAC
- CC
- ASST CC
- STENO SOP
- C-#1
- C-#2
- C-#3
- C-#4
- C-#5
- C-#7
- S-#1
- S-#2
- S-#3
- S-#4
- S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS, aka.
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[redacted] advised on 11/1/65 that YARAS returned to Miami Beach over the weekend of 10/30/65 and has been observed in the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, on a continuous basis since that time, conferring with his various associates here. b7D

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2 - Miami (1 - 92-1047) (1 - [redacted]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 10/28/65

FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI
☒ PCI ☐ PSI
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SUBJECT: [redacted] PCI

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Dates of Contact
10/26/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVID YARAS; AR	92-1684
NICHOLAS BRAVOS; GEORGE BRAVOS; AR	92-1297
LEONARD PATRICK; AR	92-374

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Same

Personal Data

No Change

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[redacted] b7D

On October 26, 1965, informant furnished the following information:

[redacted] b7D

The informant said he would attempt to get more information concerning [redacted] and his bookmaking activities. [redacted] b7D

GEORGE BRAVOS, of A-1 Laundry, has been staying away from that location on Oakley because of his recent arrest by the Illinois Crime Commission. DAVID YARAS has taken over the management of A-1 through his son LEONARD. LEONARD YARAS was recently married to a Jewish girl from the north side of Chicago who was a divorcee.

RONNIE YARAS, DAVID's son, is working at Vending Corporation of America as a salesman. VENCOA

[redacted] b7D

has moved recently and is presently located at Fairfield and North Avenue. VENCOA was formerly located at 5251 West North Avenue.

The informant further advised that [redacted] He said [redacted] loans money and has an [redacted] business at [redacted] He said [redacted] is not a "juice man", but does get more than the going rate of interest on loans. He said [redacted] He said [redacted] evidently loans money at a reasonable rate to numerous small time Chicago hoodlums.

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Date: 11/4/65

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

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- ☐ CC
- ☐ ASST CC
- ☐ STENO SOP
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- ☐ C-#2
- ☐ C-#3
- ☐ C-#4
- ☐ C-#5
- ☐ C-#7
- ☐ S-#1
- ☐ S-#2
- ☐ S-#3
- ☐ S-#4
- ☐ S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

Re Miami airtel 11/2/65.

[redacted] and PCI [redacted] advised SA RALPH R. HILL on 11/4/65, that YARAS returned to Chicago after being in Miami Beach during the period 10/30-11/2/65. b6 b7C b7D

On 11/2/65, YARAS [redacted] conferring at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, with, among others, JAKE LANSKY, MEYER WASSELL and "MOE" (LNU). b7D

Noted that MOE DALITZ of Las Vegas arrived in Miami over the past weekend and checked into the Doral Hotel, Miami Beach.

[redacted] advised SA HILL on 11/3/65, that DAVEY YARAS [redacted] the Singapore Hotel, Miami Beach (headquarters of the LANSKY group in Miami) [redacted] YIDDY BLOOM, Miami top hoodlum and member of the LANSKY organization. [redacted] MEYER LANSKY and an individual named "MOE" early that date in conference at the Singapore. b7D

Chicago note the fact that YARAS has returned to your division and afford him appropriate coverage. Also advise Las Vegas and Miami if any recent information has been received relating to the DALITZ and Cleveland group which would necessitate DALITZ' sudden trip to Miami and subsequent conference with YARAS.

3 - Chicago (1 - 92-349 - SAM GIANCANA)
2 - Las Vegas (1 - 92 - DALITZ)
5 - Miami
(1 - 92-102 - MEYER LANSKY)(1 - 92-97 - JAKE LANSKY)
(1 - 92-190 - YIDDY BLOOM)(1 - 92-913 - VEGMON)

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CITY CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

DATE November 17, 1965

Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, CHICAGO

seven dollars, and no/100 cents,

($ 7.00), which money ~~is to be~~ was paid by me on November 15,1965

to Pete Fish's Restaurant, 160 East Ontario Street, Chicago, Ill.

for information concerning the case entitled "DAVID YARAS, AR" (92-1684). The above amount was expended for dinner(@$4.25) for two Agents plus $1.50 tip. $8.50 plus $1.50= $10.00. From this amount is deducted $3.00, the amount normally expended by the Agents for dinner. The above does not include any expenditure for alcoholic beverages,

The above expense was incurred in connection with a surveillance of YARAS, and a subsequent meeting between YARAS, LEONARD PATRICK(92-374), and GUS ALEX (92-373), in the above restaurant.

Services: $ Federal Income Tax Withheld $

Expenses $ 7.00

Signed: Harold K. Johnson
Special Agent

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Authority (date) SAC

Period Covered by Payment 11/15/65

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Check Number 7157

Receipts Received NOV 15 1965

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Date of Actual Payment NOV 15 1965

By whom Harold K. Johnson 92-1684-64

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11/17/65

AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

Re Miami airtel to Chicago, 10/4/65.

YARAS observed at A-1 Laundry on 11/8/65. He is believed to be staying some of the time with son, LEONARD, at new apartment, 4569 Jarvis, Lincolnwood, Illinois.

LEONARD YARAS [redacted] in Northbrook, Illinois and resided at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive until latter part of October, 1965. b6 b7C

On 11/15/65, DAVID YARAS, LEONARD PATRICK, GUS ALEX and LEONARD YARAS observed at lengthy p.m. meeting in Pete Fish's Restaurant, 160 East Ontario Street, Chicago, by SAs HAROLD K. JOHNSON and EUGENE I. SATHER.

DAVID YARAS is still driving his blue Oldsmobile sedan (Florida license 1W82521) and was at A-1 Laundry most of the day on 11/15/65 prior to above meeting.

Chicago will keep Miami advised.

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1 - Chicago

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FBI

Date: 11/22/65

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

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☐ CC
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☐ C-#7
☐ S-#1
☐ S-#2
☐ S-#3
☐ S-#4
☐ S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS
AR

Re Chicago teletype to Bureau 11/16/65 (AM to Miami) captioned GUS ALEX, aka, AR," Chicago file 92-373, which advised that DAVID YARAS was in contact in Chicago 10/15/65 with GUS ALEX.

Note that, according to Miami informants, YARAS remains in the Chicago area, after making two hurried weekend trips to Miami during the early part of November, 1965.

Chicago requested to keep Miami informed as to developments with YARAS and with the Munger Laundry mentioned in retel, it being noted that YARAS is allegedly in Chicago to consummate a business deal there.

3 - Chicago
(1 - 92-373)
1 - Miami
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H. K. Johnson

Approved: _____ Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 12/1/65

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- ☐ ASAC
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- ☐ ASST CC
- ☐ STENO SOP
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- ☐ C-#2
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- ☐ C-#4
- ☐ C-#5
- ☐ C-#7
- ☐ S-#1
- ☐ S-#2
- ☐ S-#3
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- ☐ S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)(P)

DAVID YARAS
AR

[redacted] advised 11/26/65 that YARAS [redacted] b7D
[redacted] at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, Fla., in company with BEN HUSICK and several others, [redacted]

PCI [redacted] advised on 11/29/65 that, as of that time, YARAS was still in Miami. He is not driving his 1965 Oldsmobile, but has been observed by the informant in a late model white Rambler with Florida tags. Informant states that there is considerable activity at the YARAS residence, in the form of workmen doing remodelling or redecorating. Real estate men have been seen taking pictures, measurements, etc., of the home. b6 b7C b7D

Records of the Southern Bell Telephone Co. reflect the following toll calls from telephone number 538-3255, subscribed to by DAVID YARAS, 4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Fla.:

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CHICAGO

9/25/65 Skokie, Ill. [redacted] b6 b7C
Also called on 10/3,10,17,31 and 11/1,2,3/65.
10/3/65 Chicago, Ill. [redacted]
10/5/65 Chicago, Ill. [redacted]
10/7/65 Chicago, Ill. BU 1-8513 Leonard Yaras

92-1684-67

2 - Chicago
2 - Los Angeles
3 - Miami
(1 - [redacted] b7D
(1 - [redacted]

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10/6/65 10/7/65	Los Angeles, Calif. Beverly Hills, Calif.	[redacted]

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10/4,6,7/65	Hollywood, Fla.	[redacted]

- LEADS -

CHICAGO

1. Ascertain subscribers and report pertinent information relating to them, if not already done, regarding numbers called from YARAS residence listed above.

2. Ascertain if YARAS intends to return to Chicago in near future, and if his 1965 Oldsmobile is still located your division.

3. Continue to follow and report on the activities of YARAS while in Chicago through investigation of YARAS, A-1 Industrial Uniform Company, and LENNIE PATRICK. b6 b7C

LOS ANGELES

Ascertain subscribers to those numbers called from Miami and report pertinent information relating to them.

MIAMI

AT HOLLYWOOD, FLA.

Ascertain subscriber to number [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/18/65

1.

The following observations were made on November 15, 1965:

5:45 P.M.

DAVID YARAS departed the A-1 Industrial Uniforms, Inc., 1217 North Oakley, accompanied by an unknown male (believed to be an employee of A-1 Laundry). They walked to the parking lot used by employees of A-1 Laundry, located across the street and west of Oakley. They entered YARAS' late model blue Oldsmobile, two door sedan, 1965 Florida License Plates 1W82521.

The unknown male is described as follows:

Age	45-50
Height	6 feet
Weight	180 pounds
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Grey, curley
Characteristics	Wore horn-rimmed glasses
Dress	Dark suit and dark topcoat

YARAS and the unknown male drove to Clark and Division Streets.

5:58 P.M.

The unknown male departed YARAS' car and walked north on Clark Street. YARAS drove east on Division Street and south to Pete Fish's Restaurant, 160 East Ontario Street.

6:10 P.M.

YARAS turned his car over to a car hop and entered Pete Fish's Restaurant.

On 11/15/65 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-1684-68, CG 92-373, CG 92-374

by SAs HAROLD K. JOHNSON and EUGENE H. SATHER:mc Date dictated 11/17/65

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6:20 P.M.

DAVID YARAS, LEONARD PATRICK and LEONARD YARAS were observed at the north end of the bar in Pete Fish's, drinking cocktails and engaging in conversation.

6:38 P.M.

The above three persons were joined at the north end of the bar by GUS ALEX and the four of them continued conversation.

6:57 P.M.

DAVID and LEONARD YARAS, ALEX, and PATRICK left the bar area and entered the dining room area, sitting at a table at the north end of the restaurant. They had some drinks and engaged in conversation, especially between DAVID YARAS and GUS ALEX.

7:40 P.M.

ALEX left the above three persons and departed the restaurant. They were immediately joined by an unknown male, age 50 to 55 years, 5'9" tall, 200 to 220 pounds, heavy build, dark complexion, completely bald head on top with black hair on the fringe, big face, heavy jowled, shaved, but with heavy 5 o'clock shadow, wearing heavy black horn-rimmed glasses, black suit, white shirt, dark tie.

7:45 - 8:40 P.M.

The unknown male, DAVID and LEONARD YARAS and LEONARD PATRICK ordered dinner and engaged in conversation.

8:40 P.M.

The above group left the dining room area and gathered at the north end of the bar. They were last observed in conversation with the restaurant's host, believed to be [redacted] at 8:53 P.M.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO

DATE: 12/3/65

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

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☐ PCI ☐ PSI
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Dates of Contact

11/17/65; 11/26/65

Titles and File #s on which contacted

MORRIS KAY
L. PATRICK
GAMBLING MATTERS
GUS ZAPPAS
DAVID YARAS

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

(See attached)

92-1684-69

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Very Good	Hoodlum Matters

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1 - (MORRIS KAY)
1 - 92-374 (L. PATRICK)
1 - 92- (GAMBLING MATTERS)
1 - (GUS ZAPPAS)
1 - 92-1684 (DAVID YARAS)
1 - Administrative

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[redacted] b7D

Informant furnished the following information on 11/17/65:

On Saturday, [redacted], about whom informant has previously furnished information, was arrested by local Chicago police in a gambling raid on his office. (A check of PD records will now identify [redacted] is involved with "KLUTZ" (MORRIS KAY) and both are working for LEONARD PATRICK. b6 b7C

The partner of [redacted] arrested by Lt. [redacted] on FBI obtained warrant on 11/12/65 was probably [redacted] (phonetic) also known as [redacted] (phonetic). b6 b7C

On 11/26/65 informant furnished the following information:

A number for an office of LEONARD PATRICK is 267-0749. (2080 checks to [redacted]) b6 b7C

LEONARD PATRICK uses the Rogers Park Barber Shop on Devon Avenue as a payoff and collection center for betting winnings and losses. [redacted] runs this shop [redacted] - small bald man) and winnings and losses are exchanged in envelopes. PATRICK has been getting haircuts at this shop for a long time [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

GUS ZAPPAS is a close friend of both DAVE YARRAS and LEONARD PATRICK.

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FBI

Date: 12/14/65

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- C-#3
- C-#4
- C-#5
- C-#7
- S-#1
- S-#2
- S-#3
- S-#4
- S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS
AR

Re Miami airtel to Chicago 11/22/65.

[redacted] advised on 12/1/65, that YARAS made a hurried trip from Chicago to Miami over the weekend of 11/28/65, [redacted] at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, Fla., on 11/28/65, and during the morning of 11/29/65. [redacted] FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL and MICHAEL COPPOLA. ROSENTHAL operates the Multiple Sports News Service (MSNS), which, according to informants, is a joint operation of ROSENTHAL, YARAS and COPPOLA. COPPOLA is a Caporegime from New York City now residing in Miami Beach two blocks from the YARAS residence. MSNS was raided by Bureau Agents on 11/28/65, and ROSENTHAL was arrested for ITWI. [redacted]

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b7D

[redacted] 11/29/65, YARAS returned to Chicago after [redacted] Informant states that YARAS rarely is seen in Miami and advised that his duties in Miami are being performed by MURRAY LANG and BENJAMIN HUSICK.

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b7C
b7D

Chicago is requested to attempt informant coverage of YARAS in your division and ascertain his activities in Chicago.

2 - Chicago
4 - Miami (1 - 92-1047)
(1 - [redacted])
(1 - 162-375 - MURRAY LANG)
(1 - 165-332 - BEN HUSICK)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: NOV 9 1965

FROM : SAC, MIAMI [redacted] (P) b7D

SUBJECT: [redacted]

[redacted] advised SA RALPH R. HILL, Jr., of the following information on October 27, 1965: b7D

THIS INFORMATION IS NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU, AND IF UTILIZED IN A REPORT, MUST BE PLACED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION.

[redacted] provided the following information on October 27, 1965: b7D

SAM FRANK URBANA arrived back in Miami Beach on October 27, 1965, after having left Miami for New York and Chicago on October 22, 1965. [redacted] The purpose of the trip to New York was unknown to the informant. b7D

8 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1278) (JUICE RACKET)
(1 - 92-350) (CIP, Chicago)
(1 - 92- (URBANA)
(1 - 92-1165) (DOMINIC DI BELLA)
(1 - 92-1684) (YARAS)
(1 - 92-1315) (GAGLIANO)
(1 - 92-1328) (MESSINA)
6 - Miami
(1 - 92-1682) (URBANA)
(1 - 166-325) (URBANA)
(1 - 87-20929) (URBANA)
(1 - 92-615) (CHICAGO HOODS)
(1 - 92-702) (HOTELS, MOTELS)
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

[redacted] b7D

[redacted] in Chicago with JOE GAGLIANO and with WILLIAM MESSINA. MESSINA is described by the informant as a partner with URBANA in a "juice" (shylocking) business in Chicago. LEO NOVELLI, former Chicago jewel thief and minor hoodlum now residing in Hialeah, and who is working for an outfit named either "Cushion Air or Air Cushion," is heavily indebted in "juice" to MESSINA. [redacted] MESSINA has written off this loan as uncollectible. b7D

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, [redacted] DAVE YARAS, who was supposed to have returned to Miami from Chicago. [redacted] that YARAS had not yet returned, but was expected back during the forthcoming weekend. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] concerning the status of DOMINIC DI BELLA of Chicago. DI BELLA, according to URBANA, is a "Don" in Chicago and as such wields considerable power. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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Date: 1/4/66

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- ☐ S-#1
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- ☐ S-#4
- ☐ S-#5

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

RE: DAVID YARAS
AR

[redacted] advised 12/26/65, that YARAS returned to Miami Beach on about 12/21/65, and now has Illinois license tags on his automobile. b7D

On 1/3/66, YARAS' auto was observed in the parking lot of the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach. This vehicle now bears 1966 Illinois license 836-928.

Chicago establish identity of registrant, and if registered to subject in your division, ascertain full details as to Chicago address.

2 - Chicago
2 - Miami
(1 - [redacted] b7D
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TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka.
AR

Re Miami airtels to Chicago dated 12/1/65 and 1/4/66.

Enclosed for the Miami Division are 10 copies of a FD-302 dated 11/18/65, concerning surveillance of DAVID YARAS.

On 1/10/66, the records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, as furnished by Mrs. [redacted] (Protect), reflect the following: b6 b7C b7D

Telephone Number	Subscriber (unpublished)
BU1-8513 (disc. 10/11/65)	LEONARD YARAS 3600 North Lake Shore Drive Chicago, Illinois
AM2-0014 (disc. 10/11/65)	LEONARD YARAS 2710 West Lunt Chicago, Illinois
677-9326	RONALD YARAS 4120 Kirk Skokie, Illinois
677-5269	LEONARD YARAS 4569 Jarvis Skokie, Illinois

92-1684-93

2 - Miami (Encl. 10)
1 - Chicago
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It should be noted that the address of [redacted], Chicago, is the former address of [redacted]

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, 130 North Wells Street, Chicago, as checked by IC [redacted] on 12/30/65, reflect that LEONARD YARAS, born 6/21/40, of 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, and [redacted] (previously married name of [redacted], born [redacted] of [redacted] Chicago, [redacted] in Northbrook, Illinois, 9100 Lowell Avenue by [redacted] at Chicago.

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A check of the birth records at the Bureau of Vital Statistics reflects no information concerning [redacted]

Chicago will establish identity of registrant of 1966 Illinois license plates 836-928 which are currently being displayed on the car of DAVID YARAS.

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FBI

Date: 1/12/66

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1040)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-767) (P)

JOHN PHILLIP CERONE
AR

[redacted], PCI, advised this date that JACK CERONE has arrived in Miami and is staying at Thunderbird Motel, Miami Beach. b6 b7C b7D

Records Bayshore Country Club Pro Shop, Miami Beach, reveal that JACK CERONE has deposited his golf clubs with the Pro Shop there as of 1/9/66, shows residence at Thunderbird Motel.

[redacted] advised 1/8/66 [redacted] CERONE at the Thunderbird, however, [redacted] He will be contacted 1/11/66 for further information. b6 b7C b7D

Observation at the Thunderbird Motel did not reveal the presence of CERONE. Noted, however, that ANTHONY RICCI was observed in conference there with one of the [redacted] on 1/11/66 along with several other unidentified but obviously Chicago hoodlums. b6 b7C

5 - Chicago
1 - 92-1040 (CERONE)
1 - 92- (JOE ARNOLD)
1 - 92-1684 (YARAS)
1 - 92-737 (PRIO)
1 - 92-350 (Chicago Hoods)
6 - Miami
1 - 92-767
1 - [redacted] b7D
1 - 92-1682 (URBANA)
1 - 92-481 (PRIO)
1 - 92-1047 (YARAS)
1 - 92-615 (Chicago Hoods)

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[redacted] advised on January 11, 1966 that the following hoodlums have joined those already in PETE ARNOLD's building at 5970 - 80 Indian Creek Drive, Miami Beach: b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

JOE ARNOLD, Apartment 9A

It is noted that JOSEPH DI VARCO and VINCE SOLANO, along with DOMINIC BRANCATO are also residents of this building.

Informant was told that ROSS PRIO is suffering from a severe asthmatic condition, and, therefore, will probably go to either Hot Springs or to Arizona this Winter. He is not expected in Miami as of this time.

[redacted] b7D

[redacted] DAVE YARAS at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, on [redacted].

Chicago will be kept advised of further developments. Concerning CERONE, Miami contemplates advising the Miami Beach PD of his presence at the Bayshore Club, and in view of this Department's stated interest in hoodlum activity therein, will suggest that CERONE is an excellent candidate for a Vagrancy arrest there.

Miami expects to obtain a day-to-day listing of the registered guests of the Thunderbird Motel. In view of expected surveillances to be conducted there, Chicago is requested to furnish to Miami an up-to-date listing of your pending OO hoodlum and gambling files. Further, Miami is not in possession of recent photographs of many of your hoodlums. It is requested that Miami be furnished with these, by return Airtel if possible, so that a complete survey of their activities can be performed here this Winter.

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TO : SAC [redacted]

DATE: 1/24/66

FROM : SA PAUL D. FRANKFURT

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐

b7D

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
1/13

Titles and File #s on which contacted

ANDREW FEDERINKO	165-1322
DOMINICK CORTINA	165-462
[redacted]	165-
FRANK AURELLI	165-1143
DAVE YARAS	92-1684
JACK CERONE	92-1040
CHARLES NICOLETTI	92-925
JOE NEGALL	92-1373

b6
b7C

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Excellent	Coverage: 92, 162, 165

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1 - 165-462 (DOMINICK CORTINA)
1 - 165- [redacted] b6 b7C
1 - 165-1143 (FRANK AURELLI)
1 - 92-1684 (DAVE YARAS)
1 - 92-1040 (JACK CERONE)
1 - 92-925 (CHARLES NICOLETTI)
1 - 92-1373 (JOE NEGALL)

[redacted] b7D

FRANK AURELLI
DOMINICK CORTINA
DAVE YARAS

With reference to the operation of the Sports Lay-Off Center currently being operated by FRANK AURELLI and DOMINICK CORTINA, source advised that one [redacted]. Source stated DOMINICK CORTINA [redacted]. Source advised that DAVE YARAS [redacted]

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b7C
b7D

According to source, both [redacted] and [redacted] formerly frequented the Lawndale Restaurant.

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b7C

Source further advised that [redacted] which is the location of AURELLI'S Lay-Off Center at 6955 West Grand Avenue. [redacted]

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b7D

FRANK AURELLI and [redacted] who walks with a limp and who actually is running this Lay-Off Center while DONALD ANGELINI is in the Wheaton County jail. Source also advised that one [redacted] is employed in this Lay-Off Center and he obtained this position inasmuch as [redacted] DOMINICK CORTINA are friendly.

1/27/66

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1040)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-767) (P)

SUBJECT: JOHN PHILLIP CERONE
AR

Vagrancy charges against CERONE dismissed in Miami Beach Municipal Court, 1/26/66, upon motion by City Attorney. CERONE represented by [redacted] b6 b7C

CERONE continues to frequent Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, on daily basis. Informant stated CERONE is [redacted] This has not been verified. b7D

CERONE observed by [redacted] at Golden Nugget Motel, Miami Beach, during [redacted] This is not [redacted] of Chicago, but could be [redacted] Miami Top Hoodlum, and bookmaker. b6 b7C b7D

On 1/27/66, CERONE observed by SAs RALPH R. HILL, JR. and [redacted] in conference at the Bayshore Club with DAVE YARAS. YARAS arrived in Miami Beach during evening of 1/26/66 from Chicago. Length of stay not determined. CERONE accompanied by his constant companion here, one LEFTY (LNU), from Chicago, described as white, male, American, b6 b7C

3 - Chicago (92-1040)
(1 - 92-1684 - YARAS)
2 - Miami
(1 - 92-1047)(YARAS)
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age late 20's to early 30's, 6' to 6' 2", muscular build, sandy, thinning hair. Not Jewish or Italian in appearance. During time CERONE was in conference with YARAS, various Miami hoodlums and gamblers dropped by their table, including MICHAEL COPPOLA, [redacted] and others not identified. b6 b7C

Chicago identify "LEFTY", and if known, advise Miami, especially if any known criminal record so that this person may be afforded similar treatment as that afforded to CERONE by Miami Beach Police Department.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida

JAN 31 1965

Re: DAVID YARAS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Ralph R. Hill, Jr., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

The following is a characterization of informants mentioned in above-referenced report.

MM T-1 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on the habits and activities of David Yaras while in the Miami Beach area.

MM T-2 is an individual who is able to report, through his occupation, on the daily habits of Yaras while in Miami Beach, and on the activities of his associates.

MM T-3 is an individual whose occupation enables him to report on those activities of persons frequenting the Singapore Hotel, Miami Beach.

MM T-4 is a representative of another Governmental Agency.

MM T-5 is a representative of an organization which can furnish information relating to communication of Yaras between Chicago and Miami.

MM T-6 is an individual who can furnish information relating to Yaras and his partner, Leonard Patrick, while in Chicago.

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Re: DAVID YARAS

MM T-7 is an individual who is enabled to furnish information on a regular basis concerning Yaras and Patrick in Chicago.

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
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TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
DAVID YARAS, aka	RALPH R. HILL, JR.	fs

CHARACTER OF CASE

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- REFERENCE -

Miami report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., 9/2/65.

- P -

ENCLOSURES: TO THE BUREAU AND CHICAGO

Are two copies each of a letterhead memorandum characterizing informants utilized in this report.

- LEADS -

CHICAGO

Case pending over one year.
Prosecution not pending over six months.

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By				

Notations

At Chicago, Illinois

1. Will follow activities of YARAS while in that division, it being noted that YARAS, since last summer, has spent the majority of his time there.

2. Will ascertain registration of 1966 Illinois license 836-928, observed on YARAS' vehicle in Miami Beach, 1/3/66.

3. Will report to Miami on the activities of LENNIE PATRICK, acknowledged partner of YARAS in criminal activities in Chicago.

4. Will, through logical informants and surveillances, establish YARAS' Chicago residence, his activities and associates and place particular emphasis on the reasons for the extended lengths of YARAS' visits to Chicago, it being noted that he has not spent such a period of time there since departing Chicago in 1947.

LOS ANGELES

At Los Angeles, California

Will ascertain subscriber to telephone number [redacted] called from YARAS' Miami Beach number, 10/6/65. Conduct credit and criminal check on this subscriber and if no reason to the contrary exists, interview this individual concerning association with YARAS. b6 b7C

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At Miami, Florida

Will continue to follow and report on the activities of YARAS while in the Miami Division.

- ADMINISTRATIVE -

The length of the investigative period is due to YARAS' long absences from the Miami Division.

- INFORMANTS -

MM T-1 is [redacted] PCI, contacted on 10/1/65 by SA RALPH R. HILL.

MM T-2 is [redacted] contacted 11/4/65, by SA RALPH R. HILL.

MM T-3 is [redacted] contacted 11/3/65, by SA RALPH R. HILL.

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MM T-4 is [redacted], Departmental Attorney (requested).

MM T-5 is [redacted] (Requested).

MM T-6 is [redacted] contacted 9/9/65 and 11/26/65, by SA [redacted]

MM T-7 is [redacted] PCI, contacted 10/26/65, by SA HAROLD JOHNSON.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: Miami, Florida
Date: JAN 31 1966

Field Office File #: 92-1047 Bureau File #: 92-7599

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

YARAS continues to spend majority of his time in Chicago. YARAS, accompanied by LENARD PATRICK and GUS ALEX, observed at Pete Fish's Restaurant, Chicago, 11/15/65. YARAS returned to Miami Beach Christmas, 1965, now carrying 1966 Illinois license on his vehicle. YARAS made hurried trip to Miami from Chicago during weekend of 11/28/65, in conference Miami Beach 11/28 and 11/29/65, with MIKE COPPOLA and FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL those dates. ROSENTHAL, alleged partner of YARAS and COPPOLA in Multiple Sports News Service (MSNS) arrested by FBI Agents, Miami, 11/28/65, for ITWI. Informants state YARAS' duties in Miami carried on in his absence by MURRAY LANG and BENJAMIN HUSICK. YARAS observed in conference at Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, with JACK CERONE, Chicago hoodlum, on 1/11/66. YARAS believed to have returned to Chicago about 1/13/66.

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DETAILS:

CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES AND ASSOCIATES

MM T-1 advised on October 1, 1965, that [redacted] a known jewel thief from New York, was in the Miami area and [redacted] regarding the following situation:

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MM T-1 and MM T-2 advised on November 4, 1965, that DAVE YARAS returned to Chicago after having been in the Miami area from October 30 through November 2, 1965. MM T-1 and MM T-2 advised that they had observed YARAS at the Bayshore Golf Club, Miami Beach, on November 2, 1965, immediately prior to his departure for Chicago, in conference with, among others, JAKE LANSKY and an individual tentatively identified by the informants as MOE DALITZ, of Las Vegas.

JAKE LANSKY, brother of MEYER LANSKY, has been described as a hoodlum who, along with his brother, exert enormous control over certain criminal elements in South Florida. Prior to the CASTRO takeover in Cuba, MEYER and JAKE LANSKY controlled casino-type gambling in Havana.

MOE DALITZ is a shareholder of record in the Desert Inn Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas. He was known to have been in Miami Beach during the weekend of October 30, 1965, and had checked into the Doral Hotel on Miami Beach.

MM T-3 advised on November 3, 1965, that DAVE YARAS [redacted] the Singapore Hotel, Miami Beach, which, according to MM T-3, is the headquarters for the LANSKY organization in Miami. YARAS [redacted] YIDDY BLOOM, associate of the LANSKYs. [redacted] MEYER LANSKY on November 3, 1965, at the Singapore Hotel in conference with an individual known to the informant as "MOE" from Las Vegas. b7D

MM T-2 advised on November 4, 1965, that YARAS, during his brief stay in Miami Beach over the weekend past, had been in constant contact with his Miami area associates and underlings BEN HUSICK, PETE SARNOFF, and MURRAY LANG. The informant was unable to describe the nature of these contacts, but had been told that HUSICK and LANG had been handling YARAS' duties and carrying out the instructions of YARAS while the latter has been absent from the area.

BENJAMIN HUSICK, PETE SARNOFF, and MURRAY LANG have been previously described as associates of YARAS who are engaged in bookmaking activities in the Miami area. HUSICK has additionally been described as the operator of the Kleene Linen Supply Company, Miami Beach, an alleged enterprise of YARAS.

MM T-3 advised on November 4, 1965, that DAVE YARAS [redacted] the Singapore Hotel on November 1, 1965, [redacted] YIDDY BLOOM. [redacted] b7D

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MM T-4 has previously reported on the fact that DAVE YARAS, along with MICHAEL COPPOLA, are partners of FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL in the operation of Multiple Sports News Service (MSNS), Miami, Florida. The following article appeared in the "Miami Herald" newspaper, dated November 19, 1965:

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

National Mob Muscles In on Miami Sports

If you're placing wagers on Saturday's football action through a cheerful neighborhood bookie, the odds are that your dollars will support the national crime syndicate. This story, one in a series, reveals that a Miami operation is a vital link in the huge gambling rackets.

By KARL WICKSTROM
Herald Staff Writer

A Miami business linked to the national Mafia provides betting information for multi-million-dollar illegal gambling through much of the U.S.

The underworld enterprise is Multiple Sports News Service.

Sports fixer Frank (Lefty) Rosenthal runs the bookie service. Financing comes through mobsters such as "Trigger Mike" Coppola, a high-level Mafia member, and David Yaras, a former Chicago gangland figure.

From Suite 112 in a modern building at 1090 NE 79th St., the sportsmen pick the favorites and set point-spreads for the nation's $13-billion football wagering rackets.

The gangster-controlled service publishes "weekly schedules" you can pick up at newsstands for a quarter each.

The gentlemen gamblers (a false image they work hard to project) are the people who decide what team is favored to win a ballgame. They decide the initial point-spreads — called "the line."

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Convicted basketball fixer Rosenthal, 36, whose pals range from diamond fancier John Clarence Cook to Mafia tough-guy Charley (The Blade) Tourine, came out of Chicago where he got his start with the still-active Angel-Kaplan gambling service.

There also are two odds-making services in Los Angeles and one in Texas.

Frank Rosenthal
... sports fixer

The five services, in close communication with one another, come out frequently with similar point spreads.

Gamblers who subscribe to Miami's service get the "opening line" of favorites each Sunday evening for the following Saturday's college football action. Point spreads for the pro games are available on Mondays.

Through the week the key bookies continually contact Multiple Sports. (PLaza 4-0637) to learn the latest changes in odds.

Point spreads change according to the amount of money bet on particular teams. Another factor is the physical condition of the football players.

Big-time gamblers pay representatives on campuses across the land to inform the bookie services about any developments that could affect a game.

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The 25-cent "weekly schedule" provides a common tool for betting on football games.

At first glance, the schedule looks like no bargain.

What you get for your quarter is nothing but a list of scheduled games.

The same information — and much more — is avail-

David Yaras
...Chicago hood

able through the news media and in countless sports magazines.

But look again at the schedule.

Each team is assigned a number.

With gamblers on each end of a telephone referring to the same lineup, it's a map to jot down the point spreads. It's not even necessary to mention team names.

When you buy the schedules in volume, the price drops. One-hundred or more cost 12 cents apiece.

Although the schedule boasts of its accuracy, this week's listing of pro games has Cleveland playing in both Detroit and Dallas on Sunday. (Chicago plays at Detroit.)

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In the Summer Baseball Is King

The front page advertises the coming basketball schedules, starting with collegiate action Dec. 1.

In summer, of course, it's baseball.

Football is the thing, however. Gambling experts figure the total wagering on football, all illegal, is roughly equal to all other sports betting combined and is a neat $2 billion above the nation's horse racing handle.

Thousands of the special schedules are distributed each week through bookmakers, many of whom pass along their data to still other bookies, and so on.

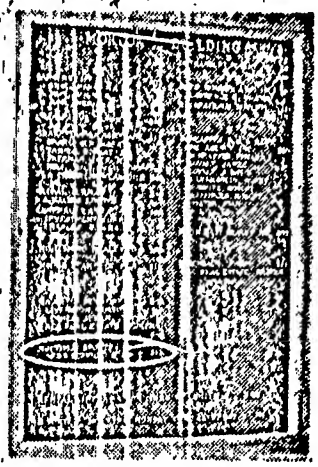
Subscribing to the Multiple Sports Service costs $30 a week if you simply want to receive fast results of sports events.

To also receive the odds and daily point spreads, it costs $40 and up, depending on the size of your operation.

Rosenthal established Multiple Sports News Service in early 1963. The service soon was taking in more than $1,000 a week. Business has grown steadily.

The title of president is held by Sam Solomon Green, 52, an ex-cabbie convicted by federal authorities for cheating on his GI Bill benefits.

Green also has been arrested on charges of bookmaking,



Building Directory
...lists Lefty's firm

violating beverage laws and showing dirty movies. None of these three charges brought convictions.

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Coppola's Record Goes Way Back

Trigger Mike Coppola, a resident for years on Miami Beach, has been a key organizer of sports gambling for the underworld.

His arrests, dating back to 1914, have been for unsportsmanlike conduct, to wit: Murder (several times) felonious assault, robbery, burglary, grand larceny, narcotics traffic and pickpocketing.

Coppola, 65, has been in and out of jails over the decades and most recently served a one-year stint (1962) at the federal prison in Tallahassee for income tax evasion.

The next year, the Senate Crime Committee probed into Trigger Mike's career as part of its organized crime hearings.

On Sept. 27, 1963, New York City Detective Ralph Salerno testified that Coppola was known as a killer who carried out Mafia death contracts.

Yaras, another Multiple Sports backer, came to Miami Beach from Chicago in the late 40s.

Part of the mob's task in those post-war years was snuffing out independent bookie service operators. One was Chicago's James Ragen. He refused to merge.

Ragen had two bodyguards but his shoulder was ripped apart by a shotgun blast anyway. Later he was fatally poisoned while under police guard.

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Officer on Case Killed by Shotgun

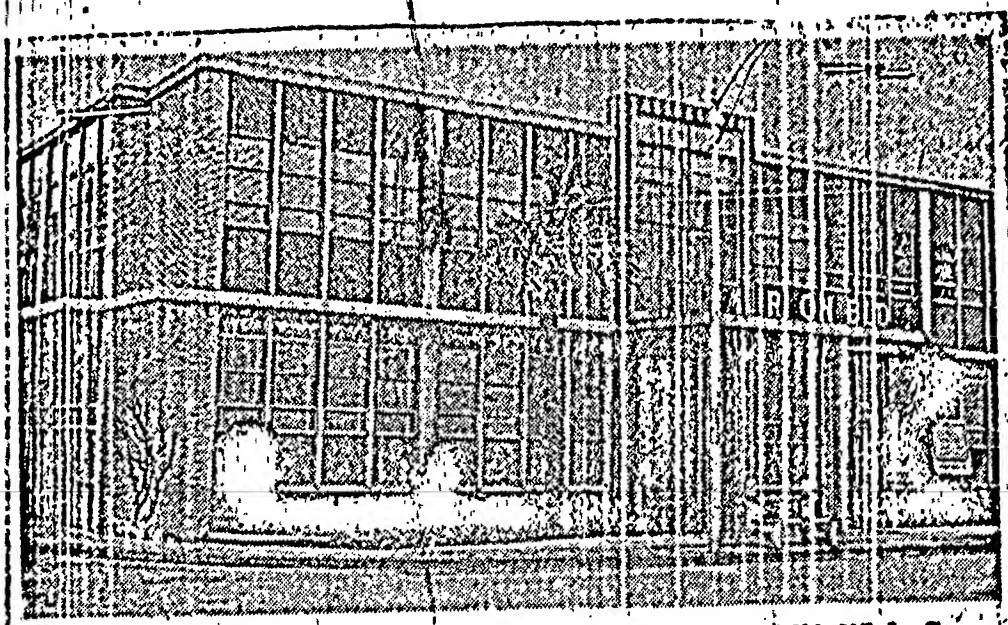
Yaras was indicted but one witness who identified him met a violent end while the case was pending. Two other witnesses forgot what they had seen.

Later, a policeman investigating Yaras was chopped apart by four shotgun blasts in his own garage.

Yaras lives at 4410 Adams Ave., Miami Beach.

Rosenthal, aside from his history of fixing athletic events, has been called a "human pari-mutuel machine" with an encyclopedic mind for evaluating team skills.

Many legitimate sportsmen have sought his opinions.



Mafia-linked Bookie Service Has Its Office on NE 79th St.

... the Multiple Sports News Service has grown steadily since 1963

When his apartment here was raided Dec. 31, 1960, then-North Bay Village Police Chief Martin Dardis answered an incoming call from an Indiana newspaper writer who asked:

"What are you going to make the East-West (Shrine football) game, Lefty?"

Dardis later testified before the Senate Crime Committee that Lefty was most unhappy about interference from the law. "He said he couldn't understand it because he had been paying off $500 a month," Dardis testified.

No charges against Lefty were filed.

He was, however, banned from race tracks by the Florida State Racing Commission. He sold his prize stable of horses.

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Rosenthal Tied To Fix Scheme

In 1961, Rosenthal was linked by Senate probers to the attempted fix of an Oregon football game.

Also uncovered was a try to fix the Florida-Florida State game scheduled the same day.

Although Rosenthal wasn't named in the Florida attempt, Senate probers were told that both approaches were part of an organized underworld scheme.

In March 1962, after lengthy hearings, the Senate Crime Committee issued a blistering attack on organized gambling, citing profits of 50 billion dollars a year to the underworld.

Senate probers, naming Rosenthal as one of the nation's four key suppliers of gambling information, urged that the bookie lifelines be snipped. The committee also urged vigorous prosecution of Lefty in the Oregon football case. (There never was.)

That same month a grand jury in Charlotte, N.C., indicted Rosenthal for fixing an NCAA basketball game.

And in May 1962 a New York indictment named Rosenthal, as a co-conspirator (but didn't charge him) in the rigging of 25 basketball games involving 12 colleges over a three-year period.

It took 21 months to extradite Rosenthal from Miami to Charlotte for the prosecution there.

Finally, on Dec. 6, 1963, Rosenthal appeared in court and suddenly switched his plea to no contest.

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He Pays Fine, Escapes Prison

The Charlotte judge said he saw no reason to put Rosenthal in prison. Rosenthal paid a $6,000 fine and went about his business. No probation period was imposed.

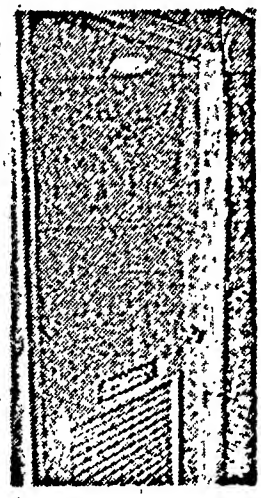
One dark night a year ago on Miami Beach, Rosenthal was picked up by police outside an apartment building. Lefty was with Richard Duncan Pearson, accused playboy thief, and Gerald (Ding-Dong) Carusiello, now serving 75 years for robbery. They were booked on vagrancy charges.

Lefty explained that he was looking for a girl friend. No convictions resulted.

More recently, Lefty was quizzed by federal authorities who were looking for the DeLong Ruby.

Presumably, Lefty had little to say.

When asked by Senate probers about his gambling activities, he even refused to reveal whether he might really be right-handed.



Bookie Service

... behind this door

On November 28, 1965, FRANK ROSENTHAL and STANLEY GREEN were arrested by FBI Agents and charged with Interstate Transportation of Wagering Information (ITWI).

On December 1, 1965, MM T-2 advised that DAVE YARAS made a hurried trip to Miami Beach from Chicago over the weekend of November 28, 1965, [redacted] at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, on November 28, 1965, and early morning of November 29, 1965. [redacted] FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL and MICHAEL COPPOLA. [redacted] YARAS, who immeidately returned to Chicago. b7D

MM T-2 advised on December 26, 1965, that YARAS returned to Miami Beach from Chicago about Christmas or Christmas Eve, 1965. Informant advised that YARAS now has Illinois license tags on his vehicle.

On January 3, 1966, YARAS' 1965 Oldsmobile was observed in the parking lot of the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, and carried 1966 Illinois license 836-928.

MM T-2 advised on January 6, 1966, that YARAS had been making daily trips to the Bayshore Club and in his absence messages to YARAS are taken by [redacted] of the dining room of the club and associate of YARAS. [redacted] gambling winnings and losses in the card games of MICHAEL COPPOLA and DAVE YARAS. At the end of the day, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

MM T-2 advised on January 12, 1966, that JACK CERONE, of Chicago, arrived in Miami Beach on or about January 6, 1966, and was making daily trips to the Bayshore

Club, where he had been observed in contact with and on the golf course with DAVE YARAS, on January 11, 1966.

MM T-2 advised on January 19, 1966, that YARAS had not been observed at the Bayshore Club since January 13, 1966, and was believed to have returned to Chicago.

The following information relates to [redacted] the residence of YARAS, 4410 Adams, Miami Beach, Florida. In this connection, it is noted that during YARAS' absence from Miami, the house is occupied at all times by his mother-in-law.

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The above records are confidential and can only be obtained through the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum. This subpoena should be directed to

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At Chicago, Illinois

On January 10, 1966, MM T-5 furnished the following information relating to [redacted] b7D

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The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, 130 North Wells Street, Chicago, as checked by IC [redacted] on December 30, 1965, reflect that LEONARD YARAS, born June 21, 1940, of 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, and [redacted] born [redacted] of [redacted] Chicago, [redacted] in Northbrook, Illinois, 9100 Lowell Avenue, [redacted] b6 b7C

MM T-6 advised in September, 1965, that LEONARD PATRICK and DAVID YARAS [redacted] in their "sport book" operations during the baseball season. PATRICK and YARAS had operated the six biggest "offices" in the city (Chicago) and several of these offices are not closed. MM T-6 advised that due to the pressure and "heat" being exerted on gambling activities that most of the bets were limited to a minimum of $50.00, and all customers were identified only by a given number. MM T-6 advised that PATRICK occasionally still goes to the A-1 Industrial Laundry, especially when DAVID YARAS is in town. b6 b7C b7D

MM T-6 said that GOERGE BRAVOS had been removed as President of A-1 Laundry [redacted] his arrest by the Illinois Crime Commission on "juice" (shylocking) charges. Informant advised that the new President of A-1 Laundry is LEONARD YARAS, but that DAVID YARAS is actually running the business and is the "brains" behind it. b7D

This informant advised that LEONARD PATRICK and DAVID YARAS are close friends of GUS ZAPPAS of the Laundry Workers Union, Chicago.

MM T-7 advised that LEONARD YARAS, a son of DAVID YARAS, who presently (October, 1965) works at the A-1 Industrial Laundry, was recently married to a dovorcee from the North side of Chicago and that DAVID YARAS had taken over the management of A-1 Laundry after the arrest of GEORGE BRAVOS on "juice" charges. Informant advised that RONALD YARAS, DAVID's other son, is still working at the Vending Corporation of America as a salesman.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Miami, Florida
1/31/66

Title DAVID YARAS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami, Florida.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: SAC, CHICAGO

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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Subject's vehicle was observed parked in the driveway of his residence on 2/21/66, Miami Beach. It was noted, however, that there was no one within the premises, and YARAS has not been observed in the Miami area. It is believed that YARAS had this vehicle driven down for a trip he will probably make to Miami in the near future.

Chicago is requested to ascertain if YARAS is now in that Division, and furnish the identity of the registrant of his current Illinois registration on his vehicle.

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK [redacted]

FROM: SAC, MIAMI [redacted] (RUC)

[redacted]

The following is a summary of information furnished by [redacted] on 2/26/66, and 2/28/66, to SAs RALPH R. HILL, JR. and [redacted] The informant advised on 2/28/66, that [redacted] and would contact SA DONALD A. RIVERS there and would furnish essentially that information which is contained herewith. For the purpose of compensation to the informant and evaluation therefrom, it is felt that the quality of the information furnished is excellent, and the informant was privy to information not accessible to Agents of this office, [redacted] which are set forth in detail in this communication:

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5 - Chicago (1 - 92-1040 JACK CERONE)
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(1 - 92- VEGMON)

3 - Las Vegas (2 - 92- VEGMON)
(1 - 92- CEASARS PALACE)

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(1 - 92-1047 YARAS)
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(1 - 92-102 LANSKY)

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GILBERT BECKLEY
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MM 92-353

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IRV KOVENS, brother of CAL KOVENS of Miami, is from Baltimore and is owner of the Baltimore Colts Professional football team. [redacted] extremely conversant with the activities of hoodlums, particularly those from Las Vegas and Miami. Informant states that KOVENS is a very influential person and is the driving force behind the construction and opening of CEASAR'S PALACE Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Informant states that CEASAR'S PALACE will be a typical hoodlum type casino and will be run in a fashion similar to that of the Desert Inn, Stardust, Fremont, etc. Among those hoodlums who have an interest, either financially or otherwise in this hotel are JOE FISCHETTI (Miami), [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Regarding the Fontainebleau Hotel, Miami Beach, the informant states that a complete changeover is in progress, and the names of those involved are, in addition to NOVACK, JOE FISCHETTI, THOMAS DIOGUARDI, MAX EDER and MEYER LANSKY.

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[redacted] the concessions of the Fontainebleau, including the Door, "the back" (presumed to mean the Cabana and pool section) and the La Ronde Room (nightclub). [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] (LNU) of Miami and New York has been installed as Maitre d' of the La Ronde Room [redacted] there and elsewhere in the hotel. It is noted that this information has been corroborated by, among others, [redacted] The fact that this change is taking place is evident by the appearance of FRANK SINATRA at the Fontainebleau, where he is performing through 3/18/66. At the opening night performance of the SINATRA show at the Fontainebleau, SAs HILL and [redacted] noted that the table headed by MAX EDER (RAYMOND) was occupied primarily by movie personalities, including actor ANTHONY QUINN. NOVACK's table, also at ringside, was headed by [redacted] who footed the bill for this group. FISCHETTI's table, on the first tier, was occupied by SINATRA's parents, actor GENE BARRY, and others not identified. As a general rule, there was a paucity of known hoodlums for this opening performance. [redacted] It is noted that [redacted] who was accompanied by a young blonde, was many tables removed from [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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[redacted] This situation will be followed, and it is expected that [redacted] will be interviewed in the near future.

[redacted] the Fontainebleau and is enough of an egotist to feel that he is "stronger" than the hoodlums. Informant is not aware of the ramifications with regard to [redacted] the concessions of the hotel. At any rate, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

It should be noted that any clearcut documentation or characterization of the Fontainebleau Hotel and the various representatives therein is virtually impossible. The land on which the hotel is located was held by a group representing MEYER LANSKY. This group still holds the mortgage, [redacted] The Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company holds a $20 million dollar mortgage on the hotel and [redacted] allegedly owns 78 per cent of the stock of the hotel corporation. It is generally acknowledged that the Fontainebleau Hotel is one of the most successful of its kind in the country and as such is a much sought prize. Further, FISCHETTI and his associates, shortly after the opening of the Fontainebleau, maintained the concessions therein and subsequently relinquished them. Until recently, Miami area notorious hoodlums were ordered to stay out of the hotel and not to utilize it as a headquarters. During the past several weeks, however, such notables as FISCHETTI and ANTHONY RICCI have been observed there on a frequent basis.

The informant states that [redacted] for jewelry scores in the b6 b7C b7D

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Fontainebleau, and he works in this capacity with one of the hotel [redacted] being utilized in some capacity in the narcotics traffic in Miami. On the subject of jewelry and jewel thieves, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D Miami, and was involved in a jewelry score out of New York wherein a million and a half in jewelry is yet unrecovered. The subject is [redacted] who is in the penitentiary in Atlanta. [redacted] It is noted that Miami indices do not reflect any information with regard to [redacted]

The informant insists that the most profitable ventures engaged in by New York and Miami hoodlums, especially those (in Miami) who are from New York, viz., FRANK DIO, is narcotics traffic. This, states the informant, is the cause behind the purchases, both real and prospective, of restaurants in New York and Miami. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D [redacted] narcotics are being brought into the country through the importation of foodstuffs used by these restaurants.

[redacted] touched upon other subjects, and mentioned the fact that [redacted] b7D the Lucayan Beach Hotel Casino, Freeport, Bahamas, and Miami. Regarding this establishment, informant

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informant states that [redacted] that MAX COURTNEY and [redacted] are "out" and have lost their control of the casino. Informant was unable to relate the reasons or the names of other individuals involved. b6 b7C b7D

Informant recalled that the Sovereign Hotel, Miami Beach, is utilized as a meeting place for prominent hoodlums, and stated that [redacted] controls the bar therein. [redacted], JACK CERONE was at the Sovereign with DUSTY PETERS and [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] DAVE YARAS, GIL BECKLEY and [redacted] Informant states that YARAS is a partner in the bookmaking empire of BECKLEY's. b6 b7C b7D

Informant states that HYMIE LAZAR of Chicago, is a prominent hoodlum and is directly involved in narcotics traffic.

Informant states that there is a prominent LCN member in Miami named NICK (LNU), originally from New York and has been described as one of the most respected and powerful hoodlums in the country. He is an old man and the [redacted] heard him described as ranking with SAM GIANCANA, MEYER LANSKY and DOC STACHER. [redacted] these individuals as those who exert absolute control over gambling in the United States and elsewhere, including the Bahamas, Aruba and Curacao. b6 b7C b7D

Informant stated that [redacted] heretofore utilized as a courier and principal in the skimming operation, has fallen out of favor due to some unknown mistakes and mishandling of certain accounts, and doubts that [redacted] will be again utilized. Informant states that the hoodlum element is unqualifiedly against the carrying out of the proposed suit by certain Las Vegas interests against the Telephone Company in Nevada. [redacted] a source on this information but believes that it is on good authority. b6 b7C b7D

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LEADS

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

1. Identify the subjects and circumstances regarding [redacted] and [redacted], mentioned by the informant. b6 b7C

2. Follow and report to Las Vegas and Miami informant's contacts with IRV KOVENS and the prospective casino, CEASAR'S PALACE, Las Vegas.

3. Advise of other known Miami connections of THOMAS DIOGUARDI, with particular reference to the purchase of Miami restaurants to further his narcotics activities.

4. Furnish the identity, if known, of NICK (LNU), described by the informant as being from New York and as being a powerful member of the LCN.

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Furnish background data, if not already done, to Las Vegas and Miami concerning IRV KOVENS.

LAS VEGAS

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Request any investigation required of Miami concerning CEASAR'S PALACE Hotel and Casino, scheduled for completion in August, 1966.

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Date: 3/9/66

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI, AND
SACS LOS ANGELES (166-445),
MIAMI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (166-562)

VINCENT ALO, AKA ET AL. ITAR - GAMBLING. OO: LOS ANGELES

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE MARCH THREE LAST REQUESTING INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE WHO POSSIBLY COULD HAVE RECEIVED DAILY TELEPHONE CALLS DURING OCTOBER FROM PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA. [redacted] REVEALS FOUR PERSONS [redacted] DURING MONTH OF OCTOBER AND ARE [redacted]. NO RECORD LONG DISTANCE CALLS [redacted] [redacted] ~~CONCEALED IDENTITY~~, CONFIDENTIALLY ADVISED [redacted] AND [redacted] [redacted], UNKNOWN EMPLOYMENT, ARE FREQUENTLY SEEN IN COMPANY WITH [redacted] AND MAX NETTLER IN [redacted] [redacted] AND ON OCCASIONS ALL IN COMPANY WITH DAVE YARAS, MIAMI - CHICAGO HOODLUM. SOURCE ADVISED HEARD THAT [redacted] TAKES BETS OCCASIONALLY AND NETTLER IS KNOWN AS A BIG BOOKMAKER. SOURCE BELIEVES NETTLER WOULD PROBABLY BE PERSON RECEIVING PERTINENT CALLS POINTING OUT THAT CALLS TO [redacted] [redacted]. SOURCE FURTHER POINTED

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OUT [redacted] BELIEVED b6 b7C b7D

TO BE DURING OCTOBER LAST. NETTLER IS SUBJECT OF CHICAGO ITWI CASE AND INFORMANTS HAVE REPORTED NETTLER AS ASSOCIATE OF CHICAGO HOODLUM FELIX ALDERISIO. NETTLER REPORTEDLY BETS THIRTY TO FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS A WEEK AND HANDLES LAY OFF ACTION FOR OTHER BOOKIES WITH UNLIMITED CREDIT. ALSO NETTLER IS ALLEGED TO HAVE CONTACTS ALL OVER [redacted] COUNTRY WHO CALL HIM AT PRE-DETERMINED TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO ARRANGE FOR LAY OFF ACTION and CHICAGO BOOKIES HAVE BEEN WARNED NOT TO TAKE LARGE BETS FROM NETTLER, who is regarded AS PROFESSIONAL HANDICAPPER. NETTLER RESIDES [redacted] AND REPORTEDLY b7D OWNS MR. T'S LOUNGE [redacted]

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING CHICAGO.

SAC, CHICAGO [redacted] 3/18/66

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SA [redacted]

[redacted]
PCI

On March 4, 1966, SA [redacted] and [redacted] made contact at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois and efforts to identify an individual who received daily telephone calls during October and part of November, 1965 from Palm Springs, California involving VINCENT ALO and [redacted], ET AL. Chicago file 166-562. [redacted] was contacted in this regard and [redacted] stated that he would furnish information to the FBI on a confidential basis. He advised that [redacted]. He advised that he does not believe [redacted] is involved in any gambling activity.

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advised that [redacted] is frequently seen in the company, almost on a daily basis, with MAX NETTLER and [redacted] and [redacted].

He advised that he believes that long-distance telephone calls to [redacted] from Palm Springs, were possibly placed [redacted] and were probably received by MAX NETTLER. b7D

He advised that MAX NETTLER is constantly seen in the area [redacted] and is said to be a big bookmaker and heavy better. He advised that NETTLER resides [redacted] in the 5240 apartment building located at 5240 North Sheridan Avenue, Chicago. b7D

He advised that MAX NETTLER and [redacted] on one occasions were seen in [redacted] with DAVE YARAS, who resides in Miami, Florida. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] b7D

He advised that DAVE YARAS [redacted] his son who the informant believes to be residing in the Skokie, Illinois area. [redacted] advised that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

He advised that [redacted] formerly operated strip joints on the near north side of Chicago and was also referred to in Chicago newspapers as a front man for Chicago hoodlums. [redacted] advised that it is his understanding that [redacted] in the operating of these joints was not a front man for Chicago hoodlums but was a front man for various Chicago politicians.

He advised that [redacted] made his money probably through the operation of liquor stores in the Chicago area. He advised that [redacted] usually [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

He advised that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] He advised JIMMY ALLEGRETTI and BIG JOE ARNOLD [redacted] b6 b7C b7D He advised that several years ago when ORLANDO WILSON took over as Chief of Police, Chicago, the captain of the district covering the [redacted] was transferred and ALLEGRETTI through

[redacted] b7D

an individual only known to him as [redacted] approached the new district commander offering him $10,000 a year for each joint controlled by ALLEGRETTI and receiving unhampered consideration from the police department in the operation of these joints. b6 b7C

[redacted] advised he would only furnish such above information to the FBI strictly on a confidential basis. It is therefore recommended [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

2/25/66

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1084) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, Aka
AR
(OO: Miami)

Re Miami airtel to Chicago dated 1/4/66 and report of SA RALPH R. HILL, Jr. dated 1/31/66 at Miami.

Springfield check Secretary of States Office regarding 1966 Illinois License Plates 836-923 and furnish pertinent information to Miami and Chicago. Checks have been made to Secretary of States Office direct from Chicago Division but no results have been furnished.

For information of Miami, YARAS has not been seen in Chicago during instant month and RONALD YARAS may be visiting his father in Miami. LEONARD YARAS has been observed at A-1 Laundry during instant week.

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AIRTEL

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1009) (P)

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INFLUENCE IN HOTELS, MOTELS, NIGHT CLUBS, AND SUPPLIERS
AR

Information has been developed that one [redacted] the T.E.J. Lounge, Incorporated, 12 West Elm, Chicago, Illinois, have been "muscled" by Chicago hoodlums.

T.E.J. Lounge is a very lucrative operation patronized by the "in" group on Chicago's near North side.

Chicago's indices negative, and current discreet investigation is being conducted to further identify individuals.

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AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Will by return airtel furnish Chicago with results of the following: 1) Inquiry at the Secretary of States Office, Corporation Section, Incorporated, 12 West Elm, Chicago, and based upon any information thereon. 2) Will conduct a Driver's License check and Vehicle Registration on [redacted]

2 - Springfield
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(1 - 92-374) (PATRICK)
(1 - 92-1684) (YARAS)

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SAC, CHICAGO (92-1009) 4/4/66

SA MICHAEL G. SIMON

CRIMINAL INFLUENCE IN
HOTELS, MOTELS, NIGHT
CLUBS, AND SUPPLIERS
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The results of the inquiry into T.E.J. Lounge, Inc., 12 West Elm Street, Chicago, at Hale-Prietsch Service and Dun and Bradstreet in Chicago are attached hereto.

Indices of the Chicago Office were negative on the T.E.J. Lounge, Inc., [redacted] Numerous references on [redacted] were determined to be not identical to individual in question.

The airtel to Springfield dated 3/9/66, was answered by Springfield by airtel dated 3/17/66, which is serial 210 of this file.

On 3/9/66, Miss [redacted] City Collector's Office, Chicago, made the application for City Retailers License, Alcoholic Liquor on the T.E.J. Lounge, Inc. b6 b7C

The application dated 5/21/65, reflected the following:

T.E.J. Lounge, Inc., dba, Hennessy's, 12 West Elm, Chicago, phone 337-7406, is a one room and one room kitchen, for retail food and alcoholic beverages. [redacted] Chicago. [redacted] Chicago. The building is leased from [redacted] from 6/1/65, to 4/30/71. License #7408 was issued to above. No arrest record at the Chicago Police Department.

Renewal license #1003 was renewed 10/25/65, at which time [redacted] gave their residences as [redacted] in Chicago, phone [redacted] Corporation phone listed as 337-7406.

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1 - 92-1684(YARAS)(H. JOHNSON)

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On 3/17/66, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] in Chicago. He resides at [redacted] Street in Chicago and does business as Hennessy's at 12 West Elm in Chicago. He has been associated with the Oakland Meat Company, 3825 South Halsted in Chicago.

[redacted] incorporated 4/28/65. [redacted] did not work out too well and in November, 1965, he bought out [redacted] and [redacted] for $15,000. [redacted] stated he went to [redacted] who is associated with Oakland Meat Company, and is a millionaire in his own right, and got [redacted] to put up the money to buy out the other two. Since that time, [redacted] are no longer associated with Hennessy's. When the trouble started he told [redacted] they could buy him out for $25,000 but they could not raise the money.

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He stated he is grossing $18,000 a month now and the business is starting to pay.

[redacted] stated he did not have any silent partners, that no one had tried to "muscle" him and he would not stand for this. He claims he has two uncles who were in the Chicago Police Department, and has numerous friends in the police department presently, and he would not hesitate to "scream" to the police if someone tried to "muscle" in on the business. He denied ever having been on "juice" for gambling debts or for any other reason. He denied he gambled and claims he has not been to a hockey game for some time. He has been to a game once this season, and definitely has not been there on a frequent basis as suggested in the newspaper articles. The only answere he could give is that he, for the past six or eight weeks, has been sponsoring 25 tickets to the home games for the Black Hawks. This includes drinks, dinner, a bus to the Stadium and back to Hennesy's. He bought the block of tickets from Culture's Last Stand, 72 East Oak, Chicago, which has now gone out of business.

[redacted] stated he did not know LEONARD PATRICK or DAVE YARAS or any other individuals mentioned in the newspaper articles, and neither they nor anyone has taken over or attempted to take over his business. b6 b7C

[redacted] concluded by stating he must have received some thirty telephone calls from various friends asking him if the newspaper articles had any truth in them. He denied any and all such allegations and hoped the publicity would not hurt his bar business.

In the event any information comes to his attention regarding this situation, he will notify the FBI.

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 4/15/66

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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[redacted] advised on 4/9/66, that YARAS had returned to Miami Beach during the past two weeks and had been making daily visits to the Bayshore Club. b7D

Informant is not aware of plans of YARAS to return to Chicago.

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 4/18/66

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (92-693) - RUC -

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

Reurairtel to Miami dated 2/25/66.

Mr. [redacted] Supervisor, Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on 4/6/66 that 1966 Illinois license 836-928 was issued 12/13/65 to DAVE YARAS, 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois, for 1965 Oldsmobile two-door, VIN 384375M125593. b6 b7C

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TO: SAC, Chicago (92-1684)

FROM: SAC, Miami (92-1047)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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OO: Miami

Re Springfield letter to Chicago, 4/18/66.

Chicago verify residence of YARAS at 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, ascertain all details concerning this residency and attempt to develop neighborhood sources and informants in the vicinity concerning YARAS' activities there.

Noted that [redacted] advised 4/19/66 that YARAS returned to Chicago immediately after the Easter holidays, 1966. He was in Miami for a period of one week. b7D

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How Hoodlums Inched Into Control of Night Club

Owner Lulled by Loans on Gambling

BY ROBERT WIEDRICH

A gang of north side crime syndicate hoodlums has taken over a lucrative Rush street night spot, THE TRIBUNE learned last night.

Investigators reported that in a maneuver which is a classic in mob tactics to infiltrate legitimate businesses, the gangsters accomplished the take-over in a month.

Name 3 Mob Figures

Identified as major figures in the expansion of hidden hoodlum ownership along the Rush street night life strip are Lenny Patrick and David Yarros, north side crime syndicate gambling figures, and George Bravos, west side mobster who returned to Chicago last year from semi-retirement in Florida.

Heavy gambling debts were incurred by the cocktail lounge owner during the 1965-66 professional hockey league season, and the hoodlums forced him to begin handling bar supplies sold by firms owned by the crime syndicate.

Then, within a few weeks, mob representatives took control of the lounge when its owner was unable to pay off the gambling debts.

Investigators said the lounge had become a great source of revenue from customers who consider themselves members of the "in-crowd." It is patronized by young advertising account executives, rising executives of many business firms, and other professional men and women.

Early in the hockey season, investigators said, the owner began attending hockey games played in Chicago, making large bets with the bookmakers who frequent the games.

On one of his first nights at a hockey game, the owner ran short of cash and was permitted to make a $200 wager on credit. He lost. Told that his credit was good, he made several other bets. By the end of that night, investigators were told, the young businessman had gone $1,200 in debt to the gamblers, both of whom were identifed as representatives of Lenny Patrick.

Lulled into Security

In the succeeding months, he paid off some of his debts but incurred others as the gamblers lulled him into a sense of false security with such comments as, "Don't worry about it . . . we know you're good for it."

The extent of his debts has not been determined by investigators, but they are known to be heavy.

Early in February, investigators were told that the representative of a linen supply company controled by hoodlums approached the lounge owner and told him that henceforth he would have to do business with them.

In the following week, similar ultimatums were delivered by the representatives of mob-owned firms dealing in liquor and bar supplies. In each case, the owner gave in to the demands.

Hoods Come to Collect

About a week ago, the two emissaries of Patrick entered the lounge and said they had come to collect the gambling debts. The owner was unable to pay. The hoodlums took hidden control of the place, investigators learned.

Investigators have heard reports of at least two other Rush street area establishments suffering similar fates within the last year and a half as hoodlums apparently move to solidify their hold on the night life strip.

Yarros and Patrick have been north side gambling overlords for nearly a decade under the auspices of such gangland figures as Ross Prio and Joey DiVarco. Bravos was brought out of semi-retirement last spring by mob bosses to reassemble the pieces of the north side loan shark and gambling empire that was showing signs of mismanagement, investigators reported.

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Probe Seeks To Bare Hoodlum Ownership Of Near North Bars

A fresh effort to expose gangsters' secret ownership of Near North Side cabarets was disclosed Tuesday by police.

Aides of Police Supt. Orlando W. Wilson said the inquiry centered on 20 night clubs and bars in the Rush St. night life belt.

One of the prime targets of the investigation, The Sun-Times learned, is an Elm St. bar. Police murder investigations and inquiries by the Illinois Crime Investigating Commission have connected the bar with gangsters.

The police liquor license unit, commanded by Lt. John Corliss, will use a new state law in an effort to force club owners to reveal any hoodlum partners, police officials said.

The statute requires club operators to open their records to police as agents of the city liquor control commissioner, Mayor Daley.

Licenses of the clubs can be revoked by the mayor if police find evidence that the owners are front men for mobsters.

Police learned that the killers of Mandel (Manny) Skar, a mob front man slain last September, began tracking him after they watched him for days in the Elm St. bar.

The place was described by detectives as a hangout for Skar and other gang front men.

The investigation by the crime commission disclosed that gangsters took control of the bar after the owner became indebted to two mob loan sharks, George Bravos and Joe Lombardi.

The two money-lenders grabbed control of a second night club in the Rush St. area while the crime commission inquiry was under way into their domination of the Elm St. bar, it was learned.

Charles Siragusa, executive director of the commission, refused to comment on his investigation of Bravos and Lombardi.

Siragusa said he kept silent because of fear that he might prejudice a loan shark extortion case in which Bravos and Lombardi are awaiting trial.

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PAUL POWELL
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February 28, 1966

United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Attention: Mr. M.W. Johnson
Special Agent in Charge

Re: License Searches
File No. 92-1297

Dear Sir:

1966 License No. [redacted] was issued to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, covering a 1965 Buick, LeSabre, 4 door hardtop, serialN [redacted] Title serial No [redacted] was issued August 9, 1965 on this vehicle, and shows no lien.

1966 License No. [redacted] was issued to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, covering a 1962 Chevrolet, 4 door, serial No. [redacted] Title serial No. [redacted] was issued December 28 1965 on this vehicle, and shows no lien. b6 b7C

1966 License No. [redacted] was issued to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, covering a 1960, 4 door, Chevrolet serial No. [redacted] Title serial No. [redacted] was issued July 14, 1960 on this vehicle, and shows lien of $2066.04 in favor of General Motors Acceptance Corporation, 5930 North Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

Paul Powell

PAUL POWELL
Secretary of State

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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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OO: MIAMI

Re Miami airtel to Chicago dated 4/20/66.

On 4/25/66 [redacted] the building 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, advised SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON that DAVID and LEONARD YARAS signed a two-year lease in October, 1965 for Apartment #2408. [redacted] said to his knowledge, the apartment has not been occupied for several months, but that the YARAS could occasionally stay there without the knowledge of the building personnel. He said they could enter from the south entrance by a key without passing the doorman stationed in the building. This building is a large apartment complex. [redacted] advised that YARAS maintain no garage space and he had assumed that LEONARD YARAS resides in the Skokie, Illinois area.

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DAVID YARAS has not been observed at the residence of LEONARD YARAS or RONALD YARAS nor at A-1 Laundry.

Miami should note that the unlisted telephone to apartment #2408 at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, was discontinued on 10/11/65 when LEONARD YARAS moved to 4569 Jarvis, Lincolnwood, Illinois.

Chicago will attempt to determine if the telephone has been reconnected or another unlisted number is in use at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive.

Chicago is still attempting to verify if A-1 Laundry has been re-incorporated to the Diamond Laundry; however, all trucks still bear A-1 Laundry markings.

Investigation is continuing at Chicago.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 6/2/66

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FROM : SA VINCENT L. INSERRA

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

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5/2 through 6/1/66 (daily)

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FRANK CARUSO, Aka. AR	92-1438	[redacted]
DAVE YARAS, Aka. AR	92-1684	H.K. JOHNSON
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Purpose and results of contact

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See Attached.

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HARRISON WHOLESALERS

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On May 13, 1966, informant advised that it is alleged that Harrison Wholesalers of Chicago, Illinois, is in the process of liquidating their assets in anticipation of a possible "scam" operation. He stated that RONNIE YARAS, son of DAVE YARAS, is involved in this scheme and that much of the merchandise is presently located at the United Training Company located in the 2800 block of North Lincoln on the west side of the street. He stated that when this "scam" operation is completed then Harrison Wholesalers reportedly will go into bankruptcy.

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6/15/66

A I R T E L

TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)(P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

OO: MIAMI

DAVID YARAS has not been observed at A-1 Laundry or at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, during spot checks in May and June, 1966.

Source at Chicago advised that Harrison Wholesalers of Chicago are in process of liquidating assets in anticipation of possible "SCAM" operation. Source reports RONALD YARAS is involved in scheme.

Records Secretary of States' Office, Springfield, reflect the following:

1966 Illinois License #599-729 issued to LEONARD YARAS, 4569 Jarvis, Lincolnwood, on a 1966 Chevrolet two-door (this is a solid red color).

1966 Illinois License #RY-4120 issued to RONALD J. YARAS, 4120 Kirk Street, on a 1965 Pontiac four-door (this is yellow with a black vinyl top).

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1 - Chicago

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC [redacted]

DATE: 8/1/66

FROM : SA RUSSELL R. GIRSCH

[X] CI [ ] SI [ ] R (Prob)
[ ] PCI [ ] PSI [ ] R
[ ]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
7/20, 22, 25, 27/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

FELIX ALDERISIO; A-R	92-415 (MALONE)
JOSEPH GLIMCO; A-R	92-735
DAVE YARAS; A-R	92-1684 (BLOOM)
UNSUB; Theft of Tucker Tractor and Trailer loaded with Nickel Pellets, Chicago	15-28290 (ROBERTS)
IRVING HORNSTEIN	87-27967 [redacted]
SAM BATTAGLIA	92-914 [redacted]

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Purpose and results of contact

[ ] NEGATIVE
[X] POSITIVE
[ ] STATISTIC

Extreme care should be exercised in disseminating the information furnished by this informant as he will not testify under any circumstances.

[X] Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Same

AUG 1966

1 - 92-415
1 - 92-735
(1) - 92-1684
1 - 15-28290
1 - 87-27967
1 - 92-914
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 6/24/66

FROM : SA

SUBJECT:

[X] CI [ ] SI [ ] R (Prob)
[ ] PCI [ ] PSI [ ] R
[ ]

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Dates of Contact
5/6, 23, 6/13/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

LEONARD PATRICK	92-374
DAVID YARAS	92-1684

Purpose and results of contact

[ ] NEGATIVE
[X] POSITIVE
[ ] STATISTIC

See attached.

[X] Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Very Good	Hoodlums

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1 - 92-374
1 - 92-1684
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On 5/6/66, CI advised that he has learned that DAVID YARAS is actually a boss under LEONARD PATRICK and PATRICK takes most os his orders from YARAS.

Contacts with CI on 5/23/66 and 6/13/66 were negative because CI has changed employments and is not presently in a position to obtain pertinent information.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 7/14/66

FROM : SA EUGENE I. SATHER

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
7/11/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted
DAVE YARAS, AR 92-1684

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

See Attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating: Good	Coverage: Same

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DAVE YARAS
AR
Chicago File 92-1684

On July 11, 1966, the informant advised that Vending Company of America (Vencoa) has gotten so large that the collectors for their jukeboxes and vending machines have gone over three months before making a collection. The informant pointed out that [redacted]

In regard to the Vencoa Company, the informant had previously pointed out that a son of DAVID YARAS, RONALD, YARAS was employed by the above company.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC [redacted]

DATE: 7/22/66

FROM : SA RUSSELL R. GIRSCH

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob) b7D
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
7/18/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

ANTHONY ACCARDO, AR	92-344 (ROBERTS)
FELIX ALDERISIO, AR	92-415 (MALONE)
DAVE YARAS, AR ✓	92-1684
[redacted] SSA	25-

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

See attached.

EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION AS INFORMANT WILL NOT TESTIFY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

☐ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	EXCELLENT	SAME

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[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Informant said that [redacted], which hmes 500 employees. It is a contract shop. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] b7D

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Informant stated that RONNIE YARAS recently went into the salvage business. He is in the M. E. Sales, 1833 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted] b7D

7/25/66

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TO: SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, AKA

OO: MIAMI

Re Chicago airtel to Miami 6/15/66.

Subject has not been observed at either the A-1 Laundry or at 3600 N. Lake Shore Dr. on spot checks made during month of 7/66.

Source advised that subject's son, RONALD YARAS, employed by Vending Company of America (Ven. Coa.). Investigation continuing.

2 - Miami
1 - Chicago

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) DATE: 9/15/66

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

YARAS has been observed in Miami Beach at the Bayshore Club on infrequent occasions during the past several months; however, he has not been observed in the Miami area for the past two weeks. It has been learned that YARAS is probably in Chicago at the present time.

Chicago is therefore requested to effect the necessary investigation to establish:

(1) YARAS' current activities in the Chicago area.

(2) Conduct other necessary investigation to ascertain his hoodlum activities.

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1 - Miami
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 9/19/66

SAC, LAS VEGAS (165-88)(RUC)

DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: Miami)

Reurlet, 7/19/66.

On 8/16/66, [redacted] Sands Hotel, Las Vegas, advised that a review of the registration records for the month of June failed to reflect that the subject was a guest at the hotel during that period. b6 b7C

On 9/15/66, PCI [redacted] advised SA [redacted] [redacted] that the registration records of the Tropicana Hotel reflect DAVE YARAS, 3600 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois, checked into the hotel at 5:35 PM, 6/7/66, and checked out 6/9/66 at 1:34 PM. The record reflected no further information. b6 b7C b7D

PCI could furnish no information as to any specific purpose of the visit by subject.

For information of Chicago and Miami, the [redacted] mentioned in relet could possibly be identical to [redacted] who is one of the [redacted] the LOUIE PRIMA orchestra that performs regularly in Las Vegas. It is further noted that PRIMA has a reported two-year contract to perform periodically in the Sands Hotel lounge. b6 b7C

2 - Miami
1 - Chicago (Info.)
1 - Las Vegas
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SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-110) 9/22/66

SAC, CHICAGO (92-504) (RUC)

HAROLD MELTZER, aka
AR
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

Re Los Angeles report of SA TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN.

On September 6, 1966, [redacted] (Conceal Identity) [redacted] Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, advised that telephone number 281-8513 is an unpublished number listed to LEONARD M. YARAS, Apartment 2408, 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] furnished this information to IC [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

LEONARD YARAS, above, is the son of DAVID YARAS, subject of Los Angeles file 92-1303 of which Miami is the office of origin.

For the information of Los Angeles, DAVID YARAS, when in the Chicago area, is known to reside at the above address. LEONARD YARAS in the past has been employed and listed as officer for A-1 Laundry, 1217 North Oakley, Chicago, Illinois.

For the information of Miami, MELTZER had a toll call to the above telephone number placed to his residence telephone on March 3, 1966.

3 - Los Angeles
(1 - 92-1303)
2 - Miami (92-1047) (Info)
(1 - 92-288)
2 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1684)

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
		9/23/66	5/20/66 - 9/22/66

TITLE OF CASE	REPORT MADE BY	TYPED BY
Dave Yasso	RALPH R. HILL, JR.	jm
	CHARACTER OF CASE	
	AR	

REFERENCE: Report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated 5/19/66.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO

Two copies of a letterhead memo characterizing informants utilized in this report.

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Case has been: Pending over one year [ ] Yes [X] No; Pending prosecution over six months [ ] Yes [X] No

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Notations

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

1. Will conduct necessary investigation to fully identify and document the M. and E. Sales Company, 1833 North Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois.

2. Will follow with report on the activities of YARAS while in Chicago.

LOS ANGELES

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Will conduct the necessary investigation to document the name of the merchandising business known as Paley's.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

Will continue to report on the activities of the subject while in Miami.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report extends beyond the 120 days, however, this matter has been kept current through interoffice communications.

INFORMANTS

Informant	Date	Agent
MM T-1 [redacted]	Various dates, 5/66-9/66	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-2 [redacted]	7/11/66	SA ROBERT F. FETZNER

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MM 92-1047

Informants	Date	Agent
MM T-3 [redacted]	7/1/66	SA RALPH R. HILL, JR.
MM T-4 [redacted]	9/16/66	
MM T-5 Anonymous Source, Chicago	6/66	

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - U.S. Attorney, Chicago, Illinois
1 - U.S. Attorney, Miami, Florida
(Attn: Departmental Attorney [redacted] b6 b7C

Report of: RALPH R. HILL, JR. Office: Miami, Florida
Date: 9/23/66

Field Office File No.: 92-1047 Bureau File No.: 92-7599

Title: DAVID YARAS

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

YARAS continues to make infrequent trips to Miami, Fla., and meets in Miami at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach. RONALD YARAS, son of the subject, is engaged in merchandising business in Chicago. YARAS reportedly recently purchased mail order house in Los Angeles known as Paley's. YARAS observed in Giannotti's Restaurant, Chicago, headquarters of the Chicago hoodlum, SAMUEL GIANCANA, 9/16/66. Information possibly implicating YARAS and Miami Hobbs Act Violation set forth.

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DETAILS: THE INFORMATION RELATING TO DAILY ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT

MM T-1 advised on various dates from May through September, 1966, that DAVID YARAS, during this period, has been in the Miami area on an infrequent basis, usually not more than a week at a time. YARAS was last known, according to this source, to have been in Miami Beach during the last week in August and possibly the first week in September.

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The informant observed YARAS during that period at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, [redacted] his associates, including, BENJAMIN HUSICK, MICHAEL COPPOLA, and others.

MM T-1 advised in September, 1966, that the card room of the Bayshore Club had been closed on orders of the Miami Beach City Manager, and as a result of this closing, the better known members of this criminal element, who formerly frequented this card room, have not been observed at the Bayshore Club on as a continuing basis as in the past. The informant was of the opinion that the close associates of YARAS would in all probability meet their contacts at card room of the Venetian Motel, Miami Beach.

On July 11, 1966, MM T-2 advised that DAVID YARAS, as of that time, had been in town for several days and had been observed by the informant at the Bayshore Club during that period.

MM T-3 advised July 11, 1966 that YARAS had been meeting at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach, during the later part of June, 1966, with various individuals, one of whom was FRANK "LEFTY" ROSENTHAL, known to the informant as a nationally prominent bookmaker, gambler, and associate of the hoodlum element. MM T-3 said that ROSENTHAL is stated to owe a considerable amount of money to YARAS or one of YARAS' representatives, which was probably the reason for this particular series of meetings.

It is to be noted that Bureau agents in Chicago observed DAVID YARAS at Gianotti's Restaurant (formerly the Armory Lounge) in surburban Chicago during the evening of September 17, 1966. This restaurant has been reported as the headquarters of SAMUEL M. GIANCANA, acknowledged head of organized crime in Chicago. Among others observed with YARAS at this establishment, were FIORE BUCCIERI, and DOMINIC BIASI.

MM T-4 advised on September 16, 1966, that with regard to the meeting described above, GIANCANA was in the restaurant with the above described group. At that time, [redacted]

MM T-3 advised on May 20, 1966, that [redacted] YARAS had been observed in company with PETE ARNOLD (deceased) at the Bayshore Club, Miami Beach. It was determined that YARAS was scheduled to return to Chicago from Miami on May 19, 1966. ARNOLD, who died in July, 1966, in Miami, was a long-time associate of YARAS. b7D

MM T-3 advised on May 17, 1966, that Chicago and Miami jewel theif and hoodlum SAM URBANA flew into Miami on May 16, 1966, after having been in Chicago for several days, and came to Miami [redacted] YARAS, who was in Miami at that time. The informant was unable to furnish any information relating to the reason for this contact.

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

MM T-5 advised in June, 1966, that the Harrison Wholesalers of Chicago were at that time in the process of liquidating their assets in anticipation of a possible "scam" operation. RONALD YARAS, son of the subject, is involved in this scheme "scam" operation, described as one in which a merchandising business is set up, favorable credit is established and huge amounts of goods are purchased on credit and sold immediately at a discount later purchasers. After several weeks or several months of this type of business dealings, the so called business then goes into bankruptcy proceedings and the creditors are left with worthless accounts.

Mr. JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, engaged in Miami in business with the Red Ball Merchandising Corporation, 4555 E. 10th Court, Hialeah, Florida advised SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., on September 15, 1966, that the Red Ball Company, which deals in the sales of all types of merchandise, utilizes the M. and E. Sales Company of Chicago, Illinois, as its primary out of state outlet.

Mr. MALONEY said that this company, address 1833 North Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois, is operated by RONALD YARAS. 2233

Mr. MALONEY said that he had recently learned that DAVID YARAS had invested over a $250,000 in a mail order house in Los Angeles, California, known as Paley's. Mr. MALONEY said that he had personally seen a check either endorsed by RONALD YARAS or made out to RONALD YARAS in the amount of approximately $140,000, which check related to Paley's. Mr. MALONEY was unable to recall the bank on which this check was drawn.

On September 15, 1966, the Miami Office began an investigation in a case captioned "ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka, ET AL; JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, aka - VICTIM; [redacted], aka - VICTIM AR HOBBS ACT". This investigation relates to the fact that five individuals perpetrated armed robbery aggravated assault, and attempted extortion on victims MALONEY and [redacted] in the Miami area early in September 13th and 14th, 1966. The subjects particularly in this violation are ANTHONY ESPERTI, [redacted], WILLIAM JOSEPH DARA, CHARLES DELMONICO, and RALPH RAY GOODMAN. DELMONICO is the some of CHARLES TOURINE, also known as "CHARLIE THE BLADE". The circumstances surrounding this case were that victims [redacted] and MALONEY were ordered to pay $25,000 to the subjects for "that guy you owe in New York". All five subjects were successfully placed in custody and then released on bond after having been charged with armed robbery and aggravated assault. Victim MALONEY related during interview that he had attempted to obtain assistance in this matter from DAVID YARAS through RONALD YARAS. After several phone calls between MALONEY and RONALD YARAS, MALONEY was advised that DAVID YARAS had stated that "there was nothing he could do for him". MALONEY said that this was in contrast to what DAVID YARAS had previously told him, that is, if, MALONEY became involved in a difficult situation, he should immediately contact YARAS. MALONEY was asked how he happened to become involved in business with YARAS and said that PETE ARNOLD, before his death, had introduced DAVID YARAS to him and after MALONEY had explained to YARAS that he had a business known as Red Ball, recently formed, DAVID YARAS recommended that he deal with his son, RONALD YARAS,

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through the M. and K. Sales Company. MALONEY said that since that time the M. and K. Sales Company constituted 80 per cent of his out of state business. At the present time, MALONEY said that the M. and K. Sales Company owes Red Ball Company over $18,000.

MALONEY advised SA HILL on September 20, 1966, that he had been advised by [redacted] who at that time was in New York City, that DAVID YARAS was anxious to meet with [redacted] in Chicago on or about September 24, 1966. The contact was made on September 19, 1966, and approximately two days after the subjects mentioned above in the Hobbs Act matter had been released by the local authorities. MALONEY advised [redacted] plans to meet with YARAS in Chicago, if possible. MALONEY opined that [redacted] possibly wishes to attempt to dissuade YARAS from pressing charges on the armed robbery and aggravated assault.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida
September 23, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1047

Title DAVID YARAS

Character ANTI-RACKETERRING

Reference Report of Special Agent RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated and captioned as above, at Miami.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 9/27/66

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

DAVID YARAS, aka
AR
OO: MIAMI

Re Chicago airtel to Miami, 7/27/66, Las Vegas letter to Miami, 9/19/66, and Miami letter to Chicago, 9/15/66.

On 7/18/66, [redacted] advised that RONNIE YARAS recently went into the salvage business. He is in the M.E. Sales, 1833 North Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois. b7D

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[redacted] is contacted on a daily basis by SA RUSSELL R. GIRSCH. This informant is an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past concerning the activities of subject. b7D

2 - Miami (RM)
1 - Chicago
EFB:SAH
(3)

Reassigned to H K Johnson
9-27-66
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H. K. Johnson

Subject has not been observed at either the A-1 Laundry or at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive on spot checks made during the months of August and September 1966.

A review of the Chicago Office indices failed to reveal any identifiable references with [redacted] b6 b7C

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CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to ascertain subject's activities in the Chicago area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO

DATE: 10/17/66

FROM : SA VINCENT L. INSERRA

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob) b7D
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT:

Dates of Contact
10/3-17/66 (Daily)

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVE YARAS; AR	92-1684 H.K.JOHNSON
HAROLD SAWYER; ITWI	165-1359 EVERETTE
LOTTIE ZAGORSKI; ITWI	165-536 ReO&A HERRMANN

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

See Attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	Excellent	Same

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1 - 92-1684
1 - 165-1359
1 - 165-536
1 - TECIP Tickler
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DAVE YARAS

[redacted]

LENNIE YARAS and his father, DAVE YARAS, [redacted]

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Informant stated that DAVE YARAS is spending more time in Chicago and is assuming more control over interests previously handled by LEONARD PATRICK.

92-1684

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC
CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 10/21/66

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FROM : SA
LENARD A. WOLF

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
☐

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

Titles and File #s of Which Informed

FRANK BUCCIERI, aka; AR	92-1998 (WOLF)
CHARLES NICOLETTI, aka; AR	92-925
LAWRENCE BUONAGUIDI, aka; AR	92-2011 [redacted]
FRANK LA PORTE, aka; AR	92-920 (PARRISH)
FIORE BUCCIERI, aka; AR	92-1160)WOLF)
CHARLES WINGHART, aka;AR	92-917 (SATIER)

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☒ STATISTIC

SAM BATTAGLIA, aka; AR	92-914 [redacted]
ANTHONY ACCARDO, aka; AR	92-344 (ROBERTS)
PAUL DE LUCIA, aka; AR	92-347 (GALOVICH)
WILLIAM DADDANO, aka; AR	92-745 [redacted]
SAM GIANCANA, aka; AR	92-349 (ROZMER)
LEONARD PATRICK, aka; AR	92-374
DAVE YARAS, aka; AR	92-1684
JAMES DE GEORGE, aka; AR	92-1036 (ROBERTS)
LA COSA NOSTRA, aka; AR	92-1173 (ROBERTS)
PEPE POSNER, aka; AR	92-1766 (Closed)
RALPH PIERCE, aka; AR	92-375 (ROEMER)
GUS ALEX, aka; AR	92-373
ANTHONY PINELLI, aka; AR	92-679 (ROBERTS)

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92-1684

[redacted] furnished the following information to SA LENARD A. WOLF on October 11, 1966:

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[redacted] said that LENNY PATRICK and DAVE YARAS are partners and that they operate independently and only answer to the boss of the "outfit". [redacted] said that [redacted] the juice collector arrested in the raid at the New Lawndale Restaurant on October 8, 1966, worked for LENNY PATRICK.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 11/15/66

FROM : SA PAUL J. NEUMANN

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☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
10/26/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVID YARAS; AR	92-1684 (H.K. JOHNSON)
[redacted] ITWI	165-1420 (Closed)
WILLIAM GOLDSTEIN; AR	92-1210 (SIMON)
JOSEPH DI VARCO; AR	92-691 (SIMON)
NORMAN FOX; ITWI	165-1551 (HESTER)
SIMON SCHUSTER, ETAL; IGA	162-733 (NEUMANN)

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
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[redacted] ITWI 165-1207 (Closed)
THEODORE VEESART 165-956 (Closed)

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.

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1 - [redacted]	1 - 165-1551
1 - 92-1684	1 - 162-733
1 - 165-1420	1 - 165-1207
1 - 92-1210	1 - 165-956
1 - 92-691	PJN/cah
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CG 92-1684

DAVID YARAS

[redacted] on October 25, 1966, that YARAS was in Chicago that day. YARAS [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-110)

DATE: 11/21/66

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-288) (P)

SUBJECT: HAROLD MELTZER, Aka.
AR
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

Re Los Angeles letter to Chicago, 9/30/66.

Los Angeles and Chicago refer to Miami report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated 9/23/66, under caption of "DAVID YARAS, Aka.; AR", Los Angeles file 92-1303, Chicago file 92-1684, wherein it is reported that YARAS is engaged in a merchandising business in Los Angeles known as "PALEY's".

Apparently this is the company Los Angeles has identified in relet as "PALLEY's". YARAS returned to the Miami area over the weekend of 11/6/66, after having spent extensive time in Los Angeles and Chicago.

Chicago is requested to request Bureau authority for, and obtain a listing of toll calls from the YARAS residence in Chicago, telephone number 281-8513, and obtain the same listing from Chicago number AR 4-2373. The latter request was previously made by Miami letter to Chicago, dated 11/8/66, under caption of "ANTHONY ESPERTI, Aka.; ET AL; AR-HOBBS ACT", Miami file 92-1875.

Los Angeles is requested to furnish a complete documentation of PALLEY's and to develop information substantiating the fact that YARAS spends a considerable amount of time in Los Angeles. Both offices are requested to furnish a copy of the results of the above requests to Miami file 92-1047 (YARAS).

3 - Los Angeles (2 - 92-110)
(1 - 92-1303)
(3) - Chicago (1) - 92-1684)
2 - Miami (1 - 92-288)
(1 - 92-1047)

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Miami will contact appropriate sources to ascertain the known relationship between YARAS and MELTZER.

10/26/66

A I R T E L

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-110)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-504) (RUC)

SUBJECT: HAROLD MELTZER, aka.
AR
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 9/30/66.

Los Angeles see your file 92-1303 noting report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated9/23/66, at Miami.

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3 - Los Angeles (1 - 92-1303)
2 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1684)
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11/23/66

AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1875)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-2233) (P)

SUBJECT: ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka; ET AL;
JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, aka - VICTIM;
[redacted] aka - VICTIM
AR - HOBBS ACT

Re Miami report of SA RALPH R. HILL, Jr., dated 9/23/66, at Miami.

On 10/21/66, RONALD YARAS was observed at A-1 Laundry, 1217 North Oakley, Chicago, by Agents of the Chicago Office between the hours of 4:20 PM and 5:00 PM.

Chicago will obtain record of toll calls from A-1 Laundry when Bureau permission is granted.

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Informants at Chicago have reported no information concerning DAVID YARAS' interest in current investigation.

On 11/21/66, records of Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (protect), were furnished to IC [redacted] concerning M & E Sales of 1833 North Leavitt, Chicago. In a report dated 10/7/66, the company is listed as operating in salvage surplus goods under the ownership of MANNY GREENFIELD.

The business reportedly operated as a partnership between GREENFIELD and [redacted] in 1961 or before. GREENFIELD purchased [redacted] interst in August, 1962. GREENFIELD is married, native born in 1911 and reported to be in the salvage goods line for a number of years. All financial and structural information was declined by a Mr. [redacted] person in charge in March and October, 1966. GREENFIELD reportedly suffered a slight heart attack in the autumn of 1966. No other information was on record.

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Records of the Cook County Credit Bureau, as checked by IC [redacted] on 11/1/66, reflected the following: b6 b7C

M & E Sales of 4520 West Madison and 1833 North Leavitt, has been on file since 1957. The company deals in sporting goods and salvage goods and the present owner in 1966 is MANNY GREENFIELD who resides at 2651 West Summerdale, Chicago, with [redacted]

A judgment was entered for $350.00 on 12/18/61, against MANNY GREENFIELD and [redacted] doing business as M & E Sales at 4520 West Madison. The plaintiff was Aurora Chow&Company. The company has a satisfactory credit rating.

No arrest record could be located for GREENFIELD or [redacted] at the Chicago Police Department.

Chicago indices contain the following concerning GREENFIELD and M & E Sales:

An informant, in April, 1965, advised that a load of stolen silver was being offered to MANNY GREENFIELD, not further identified.

In 1961, MAX GREENFIELD of M & E Sales, 1833 North Leavitt, was offering welding fittings for sale.

In 1964, an anonymous letter stated that MANDEL GREENFIELD of M & E Sales, 1833 North Leavitt, Chicago, was a fence and had been so for years.

There is no other information in the Chicago files.

On 10/26/66, personal observation at 1833 North Leavitt by SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON showed a sign on the door that M & E Sales, second floor, was moving to 1644 Honore, Chicago.

On 11/1/66, a truck of A-1 Laundry was observed loading boxes at 1833 North Leavitt and transporting them to 1644 Honore. A sign on the door at 1644 Honore indicates that M & E Sales are located on the second floor.

During October and November, 1966, RONALD YARAS was observed in his car (Illinois license RY 4120) at 1644 Honore. It appears that M & E Sales has now moved most of its stock to the Honore address.

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[redacted] advised in November, 1966, that MANNY GREENFIELD of M & E Sales is known to him as a long-time fence. The informant advised that he had heard that M & E was being muscled by DAVID YARAS and that RONNY YARAS had taken over the operation.

Miami advised if any specific individuals, such as GREENFIELD, be interviewed regarding instant case. It should be noted that any attempted contacts will probably immediately be brought to the attention of DAVID YARAS or RONALD YARAS.

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11/28/66

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (92-2233)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (92-1875) (P)

SUBJECT: ANTHONY ESPERTI, Aka;
ET AL
JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, aka-VICTIM;
[redacted] aka-VICTIM
AR-HOBBS ACT

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Re Chicago airtel to Miami, 11/23/66.

In view of information contained on page 3 of re Airtel, Chicago may wish to open a separate AR-HOBBS ACT matter relating to YARAS' alleged muscling of M&E Sales. In this connection, it is noted that Victim MALONEY has stated and would be willing to testify as to the exact relationship between YARAS and M&E Sales. MALONEY also has invoices attesting to shipments made to M&E Sales, said shipments having been ordered by RONNIE YARAS.

Miami has no objection to any interviews contemplated at M&E Sales, Chicago, by the Chicago Office. YARAS is already aware of the Bureau's interest in M&E Sales, and MALONEY has made no secret of the fact that he is willing to cooperate in any manner which would be helpful in eventual prosecution of YARAS.

LEAD

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At Chicago, Ill.:

3 - Chicago
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2 - Miami
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Conduct interviews of persons connected with M&E Sales, and cause an examination of their records to substantiate shipments sent from Red Ball Merchandising to M&E. Ascertain any facts these persons may have relating to the captioned matter, and attempt to determine the relationship between this company and DAVE and RONALD YARAS.

SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 11/29/66

SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-1303)(RUC)

DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

Re report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. dated 9/25/66, at Miami and report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR. dated 9/23/66, at Miami captioned, "ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka Tony; [redacted] WILLIAM JOSEPH DARA, aka Willie Dara, Vito Willie Daka; CHARLES JAMES DELMONICO, aka Chuck White, Charles Tourine, Jr.; RALPH RAY GOODMAN; JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, aka Jack - VICTIM; [redacted] - VICTIM. ANTI-RACKETEERING - HOBBS ACT."

Records of Dun & Bradstreet, Los Angeles, as reviewed by IC BERNARD P. BLAIS on 11/14/66, reveal that the Palley Supply Co., Inc., 2263 East Vernon Avenue, Los Angeles, is managed by WILLIAM D. PALLEY, President and Treasurer, and [redacted] and a SAMUEL PALLEY, Vice President.

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This company was established 7/1/45, by WILLIAM D. PALLEY. On 4/1/46, [redacted] was admitted as a partner. On 2/1/56, PALLEY purchased [redacted] interest and the corporation continued with the officers set out above.

WILLIAM PALLEY was born in 1906, is married, and was a salesman for a local supply house from 1927 to 1935 and a general manager of a foundry supply house from 1935 to 1945.

SAMUEL PALLEY, brother of WILLIAM, was born in 1918 and is married.

4 - Miami (92-1047)
(1 - 92-1875)
(1 - 92-458)
2 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1684)
(1 - 92-504)
1 - New York
3 - Los Angeles
(1 - 92-110)
(1 - 92-2401)(RUC)

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[redacted] of WILLIAM, is not active in the day to day management. b6 b7C

In the operation of this business, a wide variety of general merchandise, together with war surplus materials are merchandised. General merchandise includes occasional and outdoor furniture, garden tools, carpenter and mechanics tools, paints, housewares, aircraft parts, and hardware, industrial machinery and machine tools. As of 7/31/64, his tangible net worth was computed as being $265,207.

In September, 1964, a liquidation was held to satisfy compromised settlements with debtors in the operation which had been conducted and five branch stores were closed, leaving the only operating business located at 2263 East Vernon Avenue.

On 9/7/66, [redacted] advised that Palley's was attempting to sell surplus material to HAROLD "HAPPY" MELTZER and that MELTZER was attempting to raise over a million dollars to buy equipment from Palley's and sell it through MELTZER's contacts overseas. b7D

On 9/12/66, this same source advised that GEORGE GORDON of Miami, NIGGY DEVINE of Las Vegas and IRVING GLASSER of Los Angeles, together with two individuals from Chicago had put up money to buy Palley's equipment through MELTZER. MELTZER was not purchasing the entire operation, only one section of the retail business and all of the mail order business.

On 9/22/66, [redacted] advised that DAVID YARAS, his son RONALD and one [redacted] were in partnership with MELTZER in Los Angeles operating a mail order business known as Palley's. This source advised that DAVID YARAS is a close personal friend of MELTZER. b6 b7C b7D

On 10/12/66, [redacted] advised that DAVID YARAS, HAROLD MELTZER, [redacted] and RONALD YARAS had a share in the operation of Palley's. This source advised that [redacted] the mail order business and that the parent company for the business was M & E Sales, Chicago, Illinois. The same source stated that the operation was b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] b6 b7C b7D
[redacted] M & E Sales in Chicago.

On 10/13/66, [redacted] advised that the Palley's operation was not proving profitable and that DAVID YARAS' son, RONALD, and a friend of his named [redacted] together with [redacted] HAROLD MELTZER, were working at the store. RONALD YARAS was in and out of Los Angeles from Chicago. b6 b7C b7D

On 11/22/66, [redacted] advised that MELTZER [redacted] and that the operation was not successful. Consequently, all the merchandise having been purchased by this group was moved by truck from Los Angeles to Chicago during early November, 1966. b7D

[redacted] has advised that MELTZER has, on at least three occasions, traveled to Chicago in the past two months, apparently in connection with this enterprise. b7D

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CHICAGO OFFICE

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will conduct current background on the financial backing as well as the operation of M & E Sales and determine if HAROLD MELTZER is identified as a partner in the business.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 12/5/66

FROM : SA JOHN W. ROBERTS

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

11/23/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

[redacted] aka	165-1227 (NELSON)
CIP	92-466
LENNY PATRICK	92-374 (JOHNSON)
DAVE YARAS	92-1684 (JOHNSON)
NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS	92-1297 (JOHNSON)
	92-1037 (ROBERTS)
STRIP SHOWS	92-1280 (SIMON)
[redacted]	165-507 (C)

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Purpose and Results of Contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☐ POSITIVE
☒ STATISTIC

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Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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LENNY PATRICK
92-374

DAVE YARAS
92-1684

NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS
92-1297

This informant advised on November 23, 1966, that the present address of LENNY PATRICK is unknown. He stated that he recently heard that PATRICK had solved his marital difficulties and was again living with his wife although he had no corroborative information concerning this. The informant stated that MIKE PATRICK, brother of LENNY, is a "real nothing" and that MIKE was in serious trouble with LENNY for borrowing "juice" money. LENNY PATRICK reportedly handled these debts for his brother and has now established his brother as the operator of one of his, LENNY PATRICK's, placed on the north side.

In connection with the A-1 Industrial Service informant stated that the BRAVOS brothers, DAVE and RON YARAS are attempting to make this a good legitimate business and have been plowing profits back into the company in order to make it a paying proposition. The informant stated that RON YARAS can be located at the A-1 Industrial Service most any time and when DAVE YARAS is in Chicago he too can be found there on a daily basis. The informant commented that GEORGE and NICK BRAVOS have been actively involved in this company and can be located there at most any time. He stated that NICK BRAVOS is a family man and stays close to his home whereas GEORGE tries to be a "swinger".

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 12/21/66

FROM : SA EUGENE I. SATHER

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
11/16/66; 12/6/66; 12/20/66

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVE YARAS, AR	92-1684
[redacted] APACS	73-1108 (J.C. PARKER)

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

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DAVE YARAS
AR
Chicago File 92-1684

CI was unable to furnish any information as to the current activities of YARAS.

SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) 12/30/66

SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

OO: MIAMI

YARAS has not been observed in Chicago area since November 30, 1966. On that date he was observed leaving M and E Sales, 1644 Honore, Chicago, by SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON in a 1965 Oldsmobile sedan, registered to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. Since that time little activity has been observed at M and E Sales and several attempts to contact MANNY GREENFIELD have been unproductive.

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A contact at GREENFIELD's residence, 2651 West Summerdale, Chicago, indicates that GREENFIELD has been out of Chicago and is still recuperating from a past mild heart attack, but is expected back at work after the first of the year in 1967.

Chicago desires to talk to GREENFIELD before any other contacts are made at M and E Sales and preferably away from the business location. This will be done as soon as it is feasible.

3 - Miami
1 - 92-1875
2 - Chicago
1 - 92-2233

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RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally _____ date By Telephone _____ date Written Communication _____ date

Information concerning:

DAVID YARAS

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

92-1684

Information furnished was obtained:

- [X] during course of Bureau investigation
- [ ] from informants
- [ ] from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

AGENT [redacted], FBN, CHICAGO

Remarks:

Furnished DOB for Yaras to Agent [redacted] (DOB - NOV. 12, 1912).

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cc:
(1) 92-1684
1- 66-4799

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AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1375)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-2233) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka; ET AL;
JOHN EDWARD MALONEY, aka - VICTIM
[redacted] aka - VICTIM
AR - HOBBS ACT.

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Miami airtel to Chicago 11/28/66.

Enclosed for Miami are twenty-eight (28) copies of FD-302's by SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON dated 12/15, 16/66, and 1/6, 18/67, at Chicago, Illinois.

Inasmuch as there is no apparent AR - HOBBS ACT matter at Chicago, no further investigation is being conducted in instant case. All further information will be directed to Miami case captioned, "DAVID YARAS, AR (92-1047) OO: MIAMI."

[redacted] is in a position to furnish further information concerning DAVID and RONADL YARAS and has consequently been opened as a PCI of the Chicago Office.

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It is contemplated to further contact one [redacted] in an effort to develop him as a source on DAVID and RONALD YARAS.

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3 - Miami (Encls. 28)
(1 - 92-1047)
3 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1684)
(1 - 92-1297)

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CG 92-2233

Copies of the enclosed FD-302's are being forwarded to the Los Angeles Division under their case captioned, "HAROLD MELTZER, aka AR", a copy of which will be designated for the appropriate Miami file (92-288).

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

DATE: 1/31/67

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
AR

Re Miami letter to Los Angeles 11/21/66 under caption of "HAROLD MELTZER, Aka, AR" and Chicago airtel to Miami 1/23/67 under caption of "ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka, ET AL, AR-HOBBS ACT".

For the information of Chicago and Los Angeles, YARAS has not been in Miami for several weeks and it is believed that he is either in Chicago or Los Angeles.

Miami sources to date have been unable to show a relationship between YARAS and HAROLD MELTZER.

Chicago and Los Angeles are requested to pursue your investigation relating to the alleged business enterprises of YARAS, viz., M&E Sales and PALEY's with a view toward estblishing an interest of YARAS therein.

Los Angeles is requested to review FD 302's submitted to your Office under the MELTZER caption relating to telephone calls placed from YARAS' phones in Chicago and identify the subscribers and thereafter conduct appropriate investigation.

2-Chicago
2-Los Angeles (92-1303)
1-92-110 (MELTZER)
2-Miami
1-92-288 (MELTZER)
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1/30/67

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-110)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-304)(RUC)

SUBJECT: HAROLD MELTZER, aka
AR

OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Miami letter to Los Angeles dated 11/21/66. Los Angeles letter to Miami dated 11/29/66, in case captioned "DAVID YARAS, aka; AR."

Enclosed for Los Angeles are four (4) copies of FD-302 by SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON at Chicago, Illinois, dated 12/13, 16/66 and 1/9, 18/67.

For information Los Angeles, [redacted] is being developed as a PCI in Chicago Office. [redacted] has further stated he does not know HAROLD MELTZER or anyone connected with PALLEYS. b7D

Los Angeles should determine subscribers to all appropriate telephone numbers in their division and furnish them to Miami Division under their caption of "ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka; ET AL; AR-HOBBS ACT," Miami file 92-1373. A copy should also be sent to Miami file 92-1047.

3 - Los Angeles (Encls.4)
(1 - 92-1303)
2 - Miami (92-288)
(1 - 92-1047)
3 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1684)
(1 - 92-1397)

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A copy of the listed subscribers should be furnished to Chicago file captioned "DAVID YARAS, aka; AR" (Chicago file 92-1684) with a copy to Chicago file 92-1297.

For information of Miami, Chicago will set out leads for all subscribers re telephone numbers listed in FD-302s (previously furnished to Miami) for all other offices under separate communication. Miami should furnish Chicago subscribers names under the caption "DAVID YARAS, aka; AR" Chicago file 92-1684 with a copy to Chicago file 92-1297.

For information Los Angeles, Chicago is attempting to establish further sources at M and E Sales Company and Los Angeles will be advised of pertinent information developed.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 2/6/67

FROM : SA PAUL J. NEUMANN

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☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact

1/25/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted

~~LEONARD PATRICK; AR~~ ~~92-374 (JOHNSON)~~
~~ROCCO POTENZO; AR~~ ~~92-923~~ [redacted]
~~ALBERT FRABOTTA; AR~~ ~~92-639 (MALONE)~~
~~DAVE YARAS; AR~~ ~~92-1684 (JOHNSON)~~
~~MAX NETTLER; ITWI~~ ~~165-258 (MAISEL)~~
[redacted] ~~IGA~~ ~~162-New~~

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Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

See attached.

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Informant advised that the card games which have been played every day and night in the Rose Room of the Sheridan Plaza Hotel for a considerable period of time have been ordered to shut down by a Commander [redacted] of the Chicago Police Department who previously allowed the games to operate freely. The reason for this is that [redacted] is retiruing in the near future, and he does not want to risk anything which might taint his name. These card games, which were controlled by DAVEY YARAS, MAX NETTLER, LENNIE PATRICK and "OBBIE" FRABOTTA, were primarily "short cards"; however, pangini was also played, and this is the game producing the most money for the house. One of the money collectors at the games is a Jewish male referred to as [redacted] (not his true name). b6 b7C

LENNIE PATRICK and ROCCO POTENZO are now moving this game to a location on the north side of Dempster Street, four blocks west of Mc Cormick Boulevard in Skokie. The building at the location is being fixed at the present time, and the date the card room is to be opened is unknown to the informant. It was the informant's understanding that prior to obtaining a license for the club room, it was necessary to purchase additional property for parking space. [redacted] b7D

Sergeant [redacted] Skokie, Illinois Police Department, on January 25, 1967, pointed out the above card room location as being 3328 West Dempster. He stated the place is quite plush with carpeting and paintings and a Chicago area telephone number RO 1-4738 (non-published) has been installed. One [redacted] has done the plumbing, electrical and general work on the room. The license on the place will be in the name of [redacted] and the club will be known as Mack-Oop. The license enables the operators to charge $1.00 an hour per person to play short cards, and they will be permitted to serve food. b6 b7C

Indices of the Chicago Office disclose numerous 92 references to [redacted] In the past he reportedly acted as a front man for JACK CERONE at C&B Provisions which allegedly was backed by JOE DI VARCO and JAMES ALLEGRATTI. Files listed [redacted] address as [redacted]. b6 b7C

Sergeant [redacted] telephonically advised on January 26, 1967, he received information that LENNIE PATRICK and ROCCO POTENZO were backing the above venture and that an outlay of $38,000 was made for the purchase of the parking lot east of 3328 West Dempster. b6 b7C

It is recommended that a new 162 case be opened on [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 2/23/67

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FROM : SA JOHN J. OITZINGER

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
☐

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
1/10; 2/3, 23/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted
CIA 92-466
"SAMUEL GUANCARLA, AR" 92-349 SA RAEMER

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☑ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

SEE ATTACHED

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☑ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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INFORMANT ADVISED ON 7/23/67 THAT

[redacted]

[redacted], OF THE LAUNDRY

WORKERS UNION, THAT SAM GIANCANA

IS PRESENTLY IN MEXICO. HE STATED

THAT [redacted] AND GIANCANA'S

[redacted]

[redacted]

DAVE YARAS IN A-1 ~~LAUNDRY~~ LINEN

SUPPLY CO.

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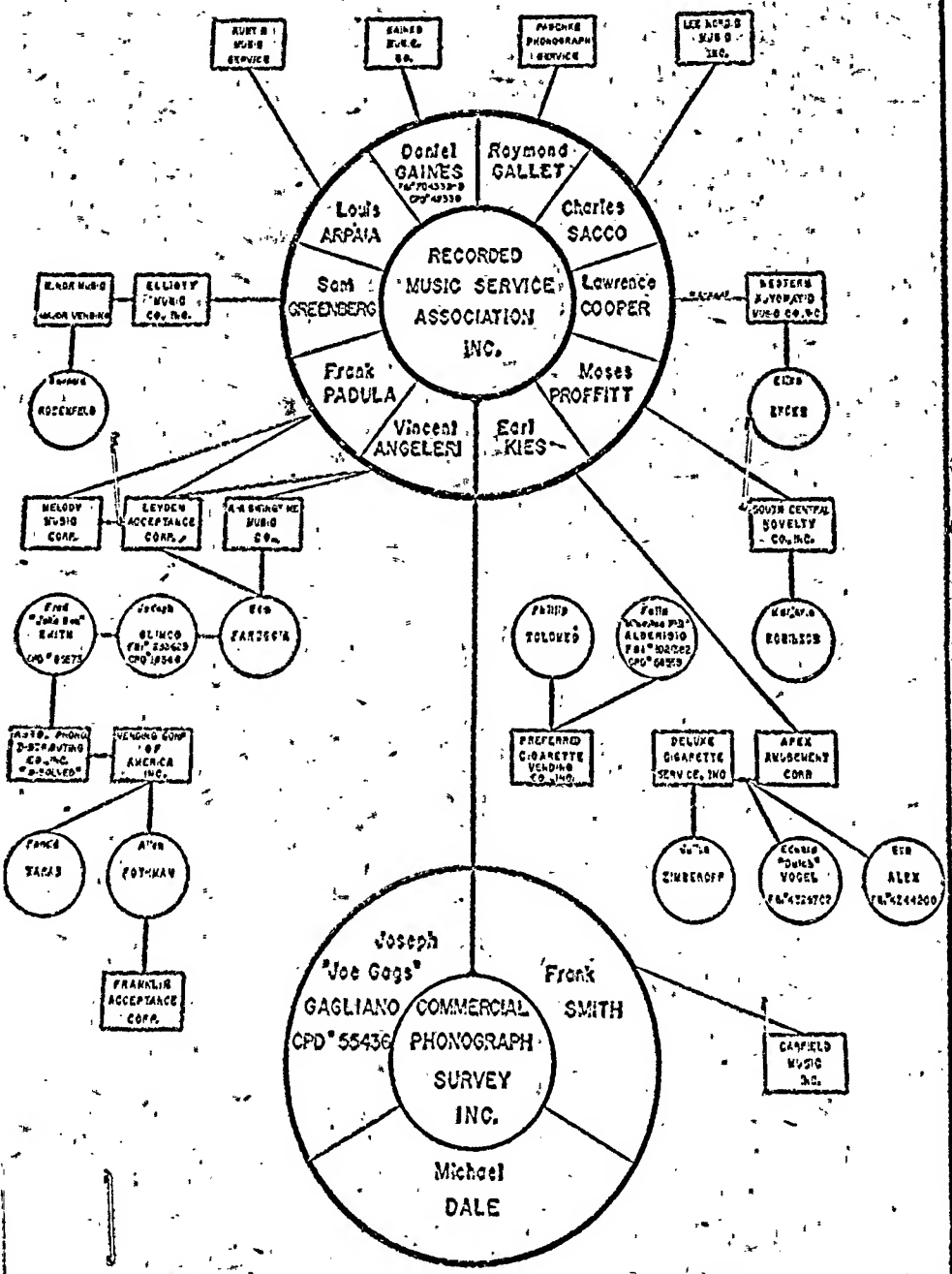

This is one of several charts used to illustrate testimony at the state crime commission hearings Thursday at the County Building.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC ,CHICAGO

DATE: 2/27/67

FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT:

Dates of Contact
2/15, 27/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted
DAVID YARAS; AR 92-1684(H.K. JOHNSON)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised on 2/15/67 that DAVID and LEONARD YARAS had signed a new lease on 12/31/66 for an apartment in the building at 3600 N. Lakeshore Drive, Chicago. DAVID'S wife was in Chicago the first of January 1966 in order to get the apartment in a livable condition. DAVID YARAS will stay in the apartment when he is in Chicago and LEONARD YARAS will live there all the time now that he is divorced from his wife.

On 2/27/67 the informant advised that DAVID and LEONARD YARAS have not been in there apartment for aver a week and are probably in Florida staying at the residence of DAVID YARAS there.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
	good	same

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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted]

DATE: 2/27/67

FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
2/10,20,27/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted

DAVID YARAS ; AR 92-1684 (H.K. JOHNSON)
NICHOLAS BRAVOS; GEORGE BRAVOS; AR 92-1297 (H.K. JOHNSON)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised on 2/10/67 that DAVID ~~YARAS~~ YARAS can always be found at the A-1 Laundry when he is in Chicago, but he has a permanent residence in Miami and spends most of his time there. LEONARD YARAS is the President of the laundry, but it is run by his father, DAVID.

On 2/20/67 the informant advised that RONALD YARAS is the President of a new company called Unique Trading Company. This is located at 1644 Honore, Chicago, and was formed to take over the operation of the old M & R Sales Co. 1644 Honore

On 2/27/67 the informant advised that DAVID YARAS probably is running the Unique Trading Co., but his name will never be found on the records. It is believed that one [redacted] is associated with the new company in some way. The informant advised he will attempt to determine who is actually operating the new company.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC , CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 3/6/67

FROM : SA JOHN W. ROBERTS, Jr.

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob) ☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R ☐

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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
2/17/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted

CIP	92-466	
FELIX ALDERISIO	92-415	(HALONE)
SAM ROSA	162-627	(PICKERL)
LESLIE KRUSE	92-1037	(ROBERTS)
FRANCIS CURRY	92-1519	(BENIGNI)
HYMEN LAZAR	92-1833	(ROBERTS)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

EDWARD VOGEL	92-345	(JOHNSON)
WILLIE MESSINO	92-1323	(JOHNSON)
NICK and GEORGE BRAVOS	92-1297	(JOHNSON)
DAVE YARAS	92-1684	(JOHNSON)
Criminal Influence and Activities of the MEYER LANSKY Group	92-2298	(ROBERTS)
ANGELO SALVO	162-763	(ROBERTS)

See attached.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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CG 92-1297
CG 92-1684

This informant advised on 2/17/67, that the last thing he heard concerning WILLIE MESSINO and the BRAVOS brothers in connection with their conviction was that all persons convicted in this matter must serve time, and that there will be no assistance forthcoming from the hoodlum leaders to arrange a "fix" on their appeal, if there is an appeal. It was the opinion of this informant that the leaders of the criminal element are most upset and displeased with MESSINO and the others who participated in the beating of [redacted] b6 b7C

In connection with DAVE YARAS, this informant advised that YARAS was in the Chicago area approximately two weeks ago and was seen at the H & H Restaurant, La Salle Street, Chicago, with GEORGE BRAVOS. The purpose of his visit was not known, but it was assumed that he made inquiry concerning the A-1 Industrial Service, an establishment of mutual interest to YARAS and the BRAVOS brothers.

It was stated that HAROLD MELTZER is a name familiar to him as being the son of an individual who runs Mister T's, a clip joint located on Sheridan Road. This establishment utilizes the services of the Sands and Tides Motels for activities of some of the girls working out of Mister T's. The informant stated that he believed the mother of HAROLD MELTZER may have been a prostitute who ran a house in Joliet, Illinois.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC CHICAGO [redacted] DATE: 3/21/67

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FROM : SA PAUL J. NEUMANN

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☐ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
2/24, 28/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted

LEONARD PATRICK; AR	92-374 (H. K. JOHNSON)
DAVE YARAS; AR	92-1684 (H. K. JOHNSON)
JOSEPH MEYERS; IGA	162-699 (C. A. HESTER)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Same	Coverage Same
		1 - 92-374 1 - 92-1684 1 - 162-699 PJN:BAS (4)

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[redacted] on February 28, 1967, stated [redacted] b6
[redacted] on February b7C
20, 1967, that DAVE YARAS was in Chicago that day as [redacted] b7D
[redacted] YARAS.

SAC, MIAMI (92-1875) 3/24/67

SAC, LOS ANGELES (92-2401)(RUC)

ANTHONY ESPERTI, aka;
ET AL
AR - HOBBS ACT

Re Miami airtel to Los Angeles dated 1/31/67.

Investigation was conducted on the following telephone numbers which appeared in pertinent FD 302s forwarded by the Chicago Office on 1/30/67.

Telephone No. LU 8-1153 contacted on 9/15 and 22/66.

The records of the Pacific Telephone Company, as reviewed by SE [redacted] on 2/20/67, reflect that this number is subscribed to by Palley's Supply Co., Inc., 2263 East Vernon, Vernon, California and was established in December, 1956. WILLIAM PALLEY is listed as President. b6 b7C

Telephone No. [redacted] Pasadena.

According to the records of Pacific Telephone Company, this number is subscribed to by [redacted]

Telephone No. [redacted] called on 9/24/66.

This number is listed to [redacted] Los Angeles. Service was instituted in January, 1965. At the time of application for telephone service [redacted] stated that bills should be sent to [redacted] same address and that she was unemployed.

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3 - Miami
(1 - 92-1047)
2 - Chicago (92-1684)
(1 - 92-1287)
3 - Los Angeles
(1 - 92-1303)
(1 - 92-110)
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There was no record of [redacted] or [redacted] at this address at the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association.

Telephone No. RI 7-7642, Los Angeles.

This number, which was called on 9/3/66, is subscribed to by the Ambassador Cabinet Company, 1622 South Hill, Los Angeles. This company has been in business for 40 years and the following individuals associated with the company have telephone credit cards:

[redacted]

Telephone No. [redacted] Van Nuys, called on 9/20/66.

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According to the telephone records of the Pacific Telephone Company, again reviewed on 2/20/67 by SE [redacted] this number is subscribed to by [redacted] Sherman Oaks. [redacted] Sherman Oaks.

The records of the Los Angeles Retail Merchants Credit Association further reflect that [redacted] has an income from the operation of [redacted] name not known.

Telephone No. [redacted] called on 9/24/66.

This number is currently assigned to one [redacted] which was initially assigned to him on 2/10/67. The records of Pacific Telephone Company, as reviewed by SE [redacted] on 2/20/67, revealed no information as to the previous subscriber.

On 2/17/67, [redacted] Assistant Vice President, Continental Bank, Beverly Hills, California, advised that

M & E Sales Company opened a Commercial Account at that institution under No. 02-029-863. This account was a partnership with [redacted] or R. J. YARAS as authorized signers with an address of 2263 East Vernon Street, Vernon, California. The business concerned itself with import and export enterprise. The Vernon Street address was subsequently changed to 1644 North Hondre Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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[redacted] home address was listed as [redacted] Chicago, Illinois and YARAS' home address as 1833 North Leavitt Street, Chicago. As a bank reference the Marina City Bank, Chicago was listed and what appears to be the State and Wacker Branch.

This account was initially opened with a deposit of $8,673.50, and its highest balance was $9,383.25 as of 9/1/66. During December, 1966, and January, 1967, there was no activity in the account and as of 1/31/67, the balance was .43.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 3/29/67

FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
XX PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT:

Dates of Contact
March 15, 29, 1967

Titles and File #s on which contacted
DAVID YARAS; AR 92-1684 (H.K. JOHNSON)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised on 3/15/67 that DAVID and LEONARN YARAS had still not returned to the a partment at 3600 NorhhhLakeshore Drive.

On 3/29/67 the informant advised that LEONARD YARAS was now occupying the apartment and had returned on3/27/67. DAVID YARAS is assumed to be still in Florida.

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage same

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago [redacted] DATE: 3/29/67

FROM : SA Harold K. Johnson

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
3/23/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted
David Yaras; AR 92-1684 (H.K. Johnson)
Nicholas Bravos; George Bravos, AR 92-1297 (H.K. Johnson)

Purpose and results of contact
☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised as follows:

Ronald Yaras frequents Unique ~~Trading~~ Import Trading, Ltd., 1644 Honore, Chicago [redacted]. David Yaras has not been seen there for some time and he is probably in Florida. [redacted] and a person by the name of [redacted] work there [redacted].

George Bravos is apparently staying away from A-1 Laundry due to his recent local conviction. Leonard Yaras is there [redacted].

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage same

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AIRTEL

TO : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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(OO: MIAMI)

DAVID YARAS last reported in Chicago by informant [redacted] on 2/28/67, but he was only in town for a couple of days and appeared at A-1 Laudry with son LEONARD. b7D

On 3/29/67, [redacted] PCI, advised that LEONARD YARAS was back in Chicago at his residence at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, but DAVID YARAS has not been there for a month. b6 b7C b7D

The informant advised in February, 1967, that DAVID and LEONARD YARAS [redacted] apartment in building at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive and that DAVID's wife was in Chicago in January, 1966, [redacted]. LEONARD YARAS is [redacted]. b7D

[redacted], Chicago, advised SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON on 3/23/67, [redacted] M & E Sales, 1833 North Leavitt, Chicago, [redacted] He said this is a salvage company formerly owned by MANNY GREENFIELD who left because of ill health. He said the company is run by RONALD YARAS, [redacted] b6 b7C

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(1 - 92-1875)
2 - Chicago
(1 - 92-1297)
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[redacted] are also connected in some way with it. The company is now called Unique Import Trading, Ltd., 1644 North Honore with a warehouse at 1833 North Leavitt.

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[redacted] said DAVID YARAS has no voice in the company and it is run strictly on a legitimate basis. He said the company shipped goods of Palley's from California to Chicago to be sold by Unique Trading, but everying was property invoiced, etc. He said DAVID YARAS merely visits RONALD YARAS at the business occasionally, but has not been seen for some time.

Chicago wil advise Miami of additional information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-7599)

DATE: 3/31/67

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (92-1047) (P)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, Aka.
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(OO: MIAMI)

Reference is made to report of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated 3/31/67, at Miami, enclosed herewith; and reports of SA RALPH R. HILL, JR., dated 9/23/66, and 5/19/66, at Miami.

These reports reflect that, although YARAS continues to maintain his Miami Beach residence, his presence in Miami continues to lessen to the point whereby YARAS makes only occasional visits to the Miami area. It would appear that his business interests demand YARAS' presence in Chicago on a more or less continuing basis. He maintains a Chicago apartment and drives an automobile with Illinois License issued to him.

It is felt that, in the interests of a penetrative investigation into the activities of YARAS, this could be better served by changing the office of origin in this matter from Miami to Chicago.

Chicago is in possession of all pertinent information relating to YARAS. Miami will continue to seek information and to investigate YARAS' known activities in the Miami area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago (92-1684)

DATE: 4/13/67

FROM : Director, FBI (92-7599)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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Re Miami letter 3/31/67.

You should submit your comments concerning Miami's request that Chicago be designated office of origin for this investigation.

In your reply include briefly pertinent information concerning the subject's current residence, activities and associates to provide the up-to-date situation on Yaras according to sources and investigation of your office.

1 - Miami (92-1047)

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4/25/67

AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-7599)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1684)

SUBJECT: DAVID YARAS, aka
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Re Bureau letter to Chicago, dated 4/13/67.

There is no current information at Chicago to indicate DAVID YARAS has taken up any type of permanent residence here. Chicago is unaware of any automobile currently registered to YARAS in Illinois lathough he had a 1965 Oldsmobile registered to him at 3600 Lake Shore Drive in 1966.

LEONARD YARAS, DAVID's son, lives permanently in Apartment 901 at 3600 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. LEONARD is divorced.

PCI [redacted] advised in 2/67 that Apartment 901 in the building was [redacted] LEONARD YARAS [redacted] DAVID YARAS, according to the informant, stays in the apartment when he is in Chicago. The source said DAVID YARAS is in Chicago at the apartment on an infrequent basis and DAVID's wife from Miami has only been observed there on one occasion [redacted] in 1/66.

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3 - Bureau
1 - Miami (92-1047)
1 - Chicago

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PCI [redacted] advised on 4/20/67 that DAVID YARAS has only been observed twice at the apartment in the last three months and the last time was approximately one and a half months ago. b6 b7C b7D

RONALD YARAS, the other son of DAVID YARAS, is now operating Unique Import Trading, Ltd., at 1644 North Honore, Chicago. This was formerly operated under the name of M&E Sales Company and at one time was run by MANNY GREENFIELD.

On 4/21/67, PCI [redacted] advised that DAVID YARAS has not been seen for a couple of months in Chicago and only occasionally comes here. The informant stated again that to his knowledge DAVID YARAS has no direct connection with Unique Import and that the operation is handled by RONALD YARAS. b7D

On 3/23/67, [redacted] Chicago, advised [redacted] RONALD YARAS at Unique Import. [redacted] said DAVID YARAS has no voice in the company and it is run on a legitimate basis. He said DAVID YARAS visits at the business occasionally, but has not been seen for some time. b6 b7C

On 4/21/67, [redacted] said he has not seen DAVID YARAS in Chicago for several months. b6 b7C

On 4/20/67, [redacted] the Continental Plaza Hotel, 909 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, advised SA CARLTON H. WOLFARTH that DAVID YARAS does not reside at the hotel and has no apartment leased. The informant checked his records and showed a photo of YARAS to [redacted] with negative results. b6 b7C b7D

Chicago in its coverage has been unable to determine the exact whereabouts of YARAS outside of the Chicago area and has presumed he is in the Miami area when not in Chicago.

Chicago has no objection to be designated office of origin in this investigation, but at the present time, Chicago cannot assure more coverage than is already maintained due to YARAS' infrequent visits to Chicago. There appears to be no indication that YARAS will be in the Chicago area on a more frequent basis than he has been in the past.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago [redacted]

DATE: 4/26/67

FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
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SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact 4/20/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted
DAVID YARAS; AR 92-1684 (H.K. JOHNSON)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised that DAVID YARAS has not been seen at the apartment building at 3600 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago for over a month and then he was only there for a day or two.

LEONARD YARAS lives in the apartment #901 which is leased by LEONARD YARAS and DAVID YARAS. LEONARD has also been out of the city for a week and is believed to have gone to Miami. LEONARD brings different girls to the apartment and seems to be dating extensively since his divorce.

DAVID's wife, from Miami has not been at the apartment since January when she was there [redacted] LEONARD.

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☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating good	Coverage same

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Chicago [redacted]

DATE: 4/26/67

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FROM : SA HAROLD K. JOHNSON

☐ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)
☒ PCI ☐ PSI ☐ R
☐

SUBJECT: [redacted]

Dates of Contact
4/20/67

Titles and File #s on which contacted
✓ DAVID YARAS; AR 92-1684 (H.K. JOHNSON)

Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE
☒ POSITIVE
☐ STATISTIC

The informant advised that DAVID YARAS has not been seen in the Chicago area for several months. RONALD YARAS is at the Unique Import Trading Co on a regular basis. [redacted] still works at the company. DAVID YARAS has no interest in the company.

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LEONARD YARAS resides at 3600 N. Lake Shore Drive and spends the majority of his time at the A-1 Laundry.

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